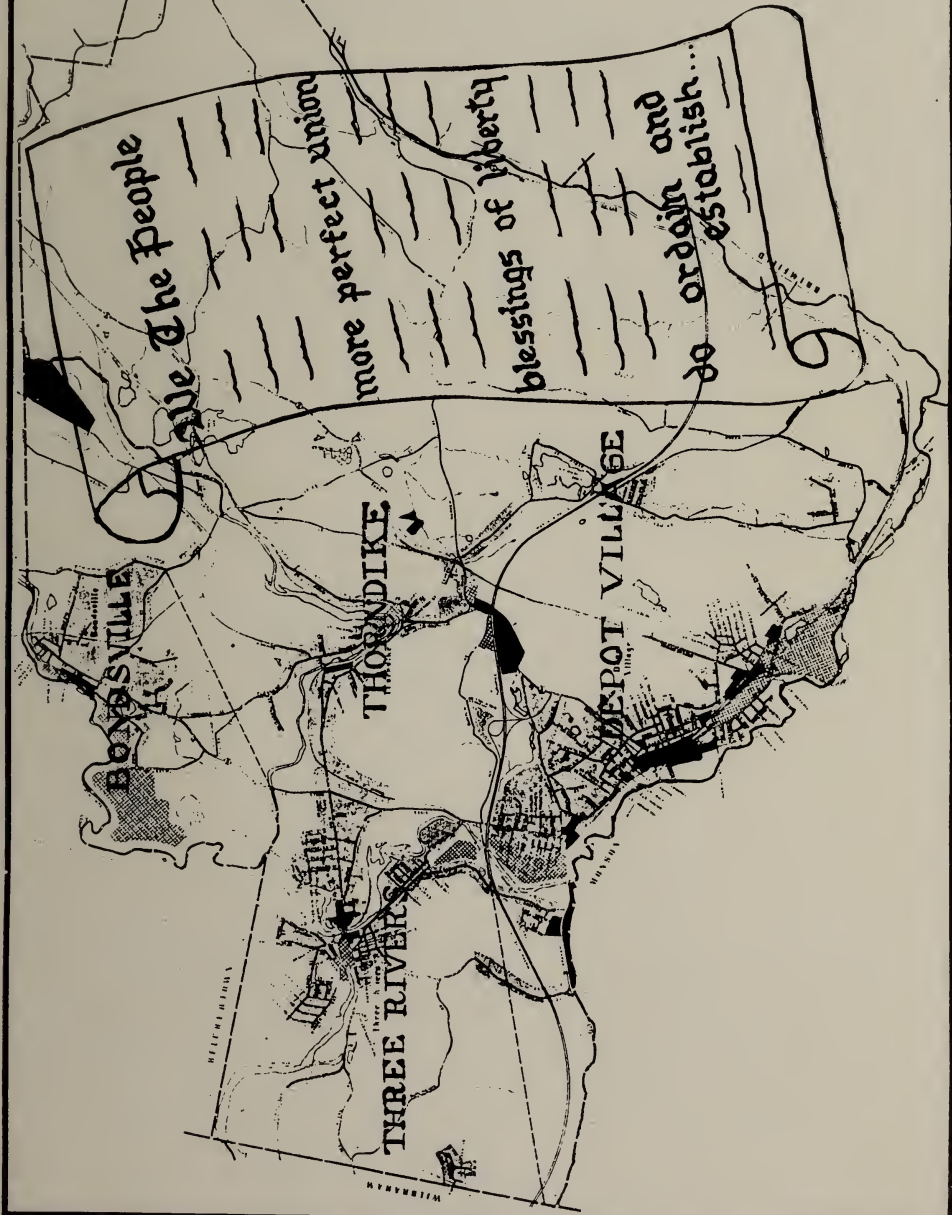


# Palmer Annual Town Report/ 1986



On September 13, 1787 The Constitutional Convention concluded the work of writing the Constitution. Congress sent the Constitution to the States for ratification on September 28, 1787. A two-thirds vote (9 States) was needed before it became effective.

The Constitution was ratified only after a bitter struggle. John Adams later wrote that the Constitution was "extorted from the grinding necessity of a reluctant people."

The State Conventions of Delaware, the first state to sign, New Jersey, the third and Georgia the fourth all voted unanimously in favor. Pennsylvania, the second to sign and Connecticut the fifth voted by a large majority in favor. However the Massachusetts Convention was the scene of an intense conflict in which a majority of the 355 delegates led in part by Samuel Adams were opposed to ratification. Only when supporters of the Constitution suggested, after ratification, Massachusetts propose to the other states that the Constitution be amended to include a Bill of Rights were they able, on February 6, 1788, to win by a majority of 19 votes and become the 6th State. Both Maryland, the seventh to sign, and South Carolina, the eighth, voted by a large majority in favor on June 21, 1788. New Hampshire became the ninth state to vote in majority completing the necessary two-thirds vote.

# **Supplement to 1986 ANNUAL REPORT**

**REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE SUBMITTED AT THE  
ANNUAL MEETING OF THE VOTERS OF PALMER, MASS.  
HELD AT THE PALMER HIGH SCHOOL ON CONVERSE STREET**

**APRIL 27, 1987**

**TO THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF PALMER:**

The Finance Committee has considered the articles in the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting for the Fiscal Year 1988 and respectfully submits the following report.

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**CHAIRMAN**

**ARTICLE 1.** To choose all usual Town Officers.

**ARTICLE 2.** To hear and act on reports of all officers and committees whose duties require them to report in said meeting.

**ARTICLE 3.** To fix the compensation of all elected Town Officers for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1987 and ending June 30, 1988.

YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THAT THE COMPENSATION FOR ELECTED TOWN OFFICERS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1987 TO JUNE 30, 1988 BE FIXED AS FOLLOWS:

Moderator	\$ 164
Selectmen	2,292 ea.
Treasurer	22,589
Tax Collector	22,589
Town Clerk	22,589

(all fees revert to Town Treasury)

Assessors	2,183 ea.
License Commission Members	No Salary
Planning Board Members	No Salary
Palmer Redevelopment Authority Members	No Salary
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**ARTICLE 4.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning July 1, 1987, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17 and to see whether the Town will authorize the Treasurer (Collector) to enter into compensating



balance agreements during fiscal year 1988, as permitted by General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53F.

**YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION ON THIS ARTICLE.**

**VOTED:** That the Treasurer be, and she is hereby authorized, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning July 1, 1987, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17 and to see whether the Town will authorize the Treasurer (Collector) to enter into compensating balance agreements during fiscal year 1988, as permitted by General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53F.

**ARTICLE 5.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money, as permitted by law to meet any appropriations made or expenses incurred under any article of the warrant.

**YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION ON THIS ARTICLE.**

**VOTED:** That the Treasurer be, and she is hereby authorized, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money, as permitted by law to meet any appropriations made or expenses incurred under any article of the warrant.

**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place in Town, and by advertising once in a local newspaper, fourteen days at least before the sale, any old and obsolete equipment or personal property, provided that the Selectmen or whosoever they may authorize to hold such auction or sale may reject any bid which they deem inadequate, or take any action relative thereto.

**YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION ON THIS ARTICLE.**

**VOTED:** That the Selectmen be, and they are hereby authorized to sell at public auction, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place in Town, and by advertising once in a local newspaper, fourteen days at least before the sale, any old and obsolete equipment or personal property, provided that the Selectmen or whosoever they may authorize to hold such auction or sale may reject any bid which they deem inadequate.

**ARTICLE 7.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place in the Town, and by advertising once in a local newspaper, fourteen days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town under Tax Title procedure, provided that the Selectmen or whosoever they may authorize to hold such auction may reject any bid which they deem inadequate, or take any action relative thereto.

**YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION ON THIS ARTICLE.**

**VOTED:** That the Selectmen be, and they are hereby authorized to sell at public auction, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place in the Town, and by advertising once in a local newspaper, fourteen days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town under Tax Title procedure, provided that the Selectmen or whosoever they may authorize to hold such auction may reject any bid which they deem inadequate.

**ARTICLE 8.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or transfer from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds the principal sum of \$7,625.22 remaining in this fund and any accumulated interest as of June 30, 1987 for any purpose which is considered permissible use of the Town's own revenues under applicable State and local law.

YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THE PRINCIPAL SUM OF \$7,625.22 REMAINING IN FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING FUNDS, P.L. 92-512, AND ANY ACCUMULATED INTEREST AS OF JUNE 30, 1987 BE TRANSFERRED TO THE POLICE SALARIES ACCOUNT.

VOTED: That the sum of \$7,625.22 and any accumulated interest as of June 30, 1987 be transferred from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds, P.L. 92-512 to the Police Salaries Account.

**ARTICLE 9.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from the Overlay Reserve Account, any sum of money to the Reserve Fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THE SUM OF \$60,000 BE TRANSFERRED FROM THE OVERLAY RESERVE ACCOUNT FOR THIS PURPOSE.

VOTED: That the sum of \$60,000 be transferred from the Overlay Reserve Account for the Reserve Fund.

**ARTICLE 10.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for unpaid bills of previous years.

YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THAT ACTION UNDER THIS ARTICLE BE INDEFINITELY POSTPONED.

VOTED: That action under Article 10 be indefinitely postponed.

**ARTICLE 11.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to defray the expenses of the Palmer Midget Baseball League, or take any action relative thereto.

YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THE SUM OF \$1,800.00 BE TRANSFERRED FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS IN THE TREASURY FOR THIS PURPOSE.

VOTED: That the sum of \$1,800.00 be transferred from available funds in the Treasury to defray the expenses of the Palmer Midget Baseball League.

**ARTICLE 12.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to defray the expenses of the Palmer Cowboy Football Team, or take any action relative thereto.

YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THE SUM OF \$1,500.00 BE TRANSFERRED FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS IN THE TREASURY FOR THIS PURPOSE.

VOTED: That the sum of \$1,500.00 be transferred from available funds in the Treasury to defray the expenses of the Palmer Cowboy Football Team.

**ARTICLE 13.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to defray the expenses of the Palmer Lil' Girls Softball League, or take any action relative thereto.

YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THE SUM OF \$1,800.00 BE TRANSFERRED FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS IN THE TREASURY FOR THIS PURPOSE.

VOTED: That the sum of \$1,800.00 be transferred from available funds in the Treasury to defray the expenses of the Palmer Lil' Girls Softball League.

**ARTICLE 14.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to defray the expenses of the Palmer Kicker's Soccer Association, or take any action relative thereto.

YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THE SUM OF \$1,500.00 BE TRANSFERRED FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS IN THE TREASURY FOR THIS PURPOSE.

VOTED: That the sum of \$1,500.00 be transferred from available funds in the Treasury to defray the expenses of the Palmer Kicker's Soccer Association.

**ARTICLE 15.** To see if the Town will transfer any sum of money from the Sale of Cemetery Lots Account to the Cemetery Other Expenses Account, or take any other action relative thereto.

YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THE SUM OF \$2,500.00 BE TRANSFERRED FROM THE SALE OF CEMETERY LOTS ACCOUNT TO THE CEMETERY OTHER EXPENSES ACCOUNT.

VOTED: That the sum of \$2,500.00 be transferred from the Sale of Cemetery Lots Account to the Cemetery Other Expenses Account.

**ARTICLE 16.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to provide community mental health and social services through Valley Human Services, Inc. to the residents of the Town of Palmer, or take any action relative thereto.

YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THE SUM OF \$4,500.00 BE TRANSFERRED FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS IN THE TREASURY FOR THIS PURPOSE.

VOTED: That the sum of \$4,500.00 be transferred from available funds in the Treasury to provide community mental health and social services through Valley Human Services, Inc. to the residents of the Town of Palmer.

**ARTICLE 17.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds in the Treasury, any sum of money for "construction, reconstruction, and improvement including surface treatments so-called" on all approved public ways which qualify under the State Aid to Highway guidelines adopted by the Public Work's Commission, said monies to be reimbursed by the Commonwealth through an allocation to the Town under Chapter 206 of the Acts of 1986 and restored upon their receipt to available funds in the Treasury, or take any action relative thereto.

YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THE SUM OF \$53,220.00 BE TRANSFERRED FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS IN THE TREASURY FOR THIS PURPOSE.

VOTED: That the sum of \$53,220.00 be transferred from available funds in the Treasury for "construction, reconstruction, and improvement including surface treatments so-called" on all approved public ways which qualify under the State Aid to Highway guidelines adopted by the Public Work's Commission, said monies to be reimbursed by the Commonwealth through an allocation to the Town under Chapter 206 of the Acts of 1986 and restored upon their receipt to available funds in the Treasury.

**ARTICLE 18.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to conduct an examination of books and records of the Town of Palmer for the period, July 1, 1986 through June 20, 1987 in compliance with Federal Revenue Sharing Regulations and in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, or take any action relative thereto.

YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THE SUM OF \$12,000.00 BE TRANSFERRED FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS IN THE TREASURY FOR THIS PURPOSE.

VOTED: That the sum of \$12,000.00 be transferred from available funds in the Treasury to conduct an examination of books and records of the Town of Palmer for the period, July 1, 1986 through June 30, 1987 in compliance with Federal Revenue Sharing Regulations and in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards.

**ARTICLE 19.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for the repair and improvement of Stimson Road, Thorndike, MA., or take any other action relative thereto.

YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THAT ACTION UNDER THIS ARTICLE BE INDEFINITELY POSTPONED.

VOTED: That action under Article 19 be indefinitely postponed.

**ARTICLE 20.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to install, maintain and otherwise provide street lights in the following locations:

1. First Street, Bondsville, MA. (2 lights)
2. Fuller Street, Bondsville, MA.
3. Municipal Parking Lot, Three Rivers
4. Boston Road (Route 20) Pole #74

or take any other action relative thereto.

YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THE SUM OF \$600.00 BE TRANSFERRED FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS IN THE TREASURY TO INSTALL, MAINTAIN AND OTHERWISE PROVIDE STREET LIGHTS AT LOCATION #1, #2, and #4.

VOTED: That the sum of \$600.00 be transferred from available funds in the Treasury to install, maintain and otherwise provide street lights in the following locations:

1. First Street, Bondsville, MA. (2 lights)
2. Fuller Street, Bondsville, MA.
4. Boston Road (Route 20) Pole #74

**ARTICLE 21.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to upgrade the street lighting on Randall and Oakland Street, Palmer, or take any other action relative thereto.

YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THAT THE SUM OF \$120.00 BE TRANSFERRED FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS IN THE TREASURY TO UPGRADE THE STREET LIGHTING ON RANDALL AND OAKLAND STREET, PALMER BY REPLACING TWO INCANDESCENT LIGHTS WITH ONE 16,000 WATT LIGHT.

VOTED: That the sum of \$120.00 be transferred from available funds in the Treasury to upgrade the street lighting on Randall and Oakland Street, Palmer by replacing two incandescent lights with one 16,000 watt light.

**ARTICLE 22.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to fund the position of Executive Secretary, or take any other action relative thereto.

YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THAT ACTION UNDER THIS ARTICLE BE INDEFINITELY POSTPONED.

VOTED: That action under Article 22 be indefinitely postponed.



**ARTICLE 23.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to fund the position of Full-Time Town Engineer, or take any other action relative thereto.

YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THAT ACTION UNDER THIS ARTICLE BE INDEFINITELY POSTPONED.

VOTED: That action under Article 23 be indefinitely postponed.

**ARTICLE 24.** To see if the Town will vote to place the following proposed amendment before the voters of the Town at the next Annual Town Elections pursuant to Section 9-11 of the Charter of the Town of Palmer:

The Home Rule Charter of the Town of Palmer is hereby amended by striking out the position of Full-Time Town Engineer from Section 3-3 of said Charter by substituting in place thereof the position of Full-Time or Part-Time Town Engineer.

The Home Rule Charter of the Town of Palmer is hereby further amended by striking out Section 3-4 in its entirety and substituting in place thereof the following language: The Full-Time or Part-Time Town Engineer shall be registered by the State as a professional engineer and shall be qualified by education, training, or previous experience on municipal projects.

or take any other action relative thereto.

YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION ON THIS ARTICLE.

VOTED: That the following proposed amendment will be placed before the voters of the Town at the next Annual Town Elections pursuant to Section 9-11 of the Charter of the Town of Palmer:

The Home Rule Charter of the Town of Palmer is hereby amended by striking out the position of Full-Time Town Engineer from Section 3-3 of said Charter by substituting in place thereof the position of Full-Time or Part-Time Town Engineer.

The Home Rule Charter of the Town of Palmer is hereby further amended by striking out Section 3-4 in its entirety and substituting in place thereof the following language: The Full-Time or Part-Time Town Engineer shall be registered by the State as a professional engineer and shall be qualified by education, training, or previous experience on municipal projects.

**ARTICLE 25.** To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following Amendment No. 6 to the Agreement for the Establishment of the Pathfinder Regional Vocational Technical High School District as was adopted at a regular meeting of the Pathfinder District School Committee of January 21, 1987:

"Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 411 of the Acts of 1986, the Agreement among the towns of Belchertown, Monson, New Braintree, and Palmer, Massachusetts, as amended. Pursuant to which the Pathfinder Regional Vocational Technical High School District was established and now operates is hereby further amended as follows:

1. Section VII. By deleting the last sentence where it appears and inserting therefore the sentence, "Such amendment shall take effect upon its acceptance by all the member towns, acceptance by each town to be by a majority vote at a town meeting as aforesaid, except that an amendment changing the terms of this agreement relating to application of another

city or town for admission to the district shall require the acceptance by two-thirds of the member towns.

or take any other action relative thereto.

YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION ON THIS ARTICLE.

VOTED: That the Town will adopt the following Amendment No. 6 to the Agreement for the Establishment of the Pathfinder Regional Vocational Technical High School District as was adopted at a regular meeting of the Pathfinder District School Committee of January 21, 1987:

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1. Section VII. By deleting the last sentence where it appears and inserting therefore the sentence, "Such amendment shall take effect upon its acceptance by all the member towns, acceptance by each town to be by a majority vote at a town meeting as aforesaid, except that an amendment changing the terms of this agreement relating to application of another city or town for admission to the district shall require the acceptance by two-thirds of the member towns.

**ARTICLE 26.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the State Legislature for the passage of a special Home Rule Law which will authorize the Town to appropriate the proceeds from the sale of properties under the aegis of the Historical Commission and/or any monetary donations to the Historical Commission to be maintained by the Town Treasurer in a separate fund. The principal and interest to be used by the Commission for capital expenditures authorized under Section 8D of Chapter 40 of the General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto.

YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION ON THIS ARTICLE.

VOTED: That the Selectmen be, and they are hereby authorized to petition the State Legislature for the passage of a special Home Rule Law which will authorize the Town to appropriate the proceeds from the sale of properties under the aegis of the Historical Commission and/or any monetary donations to the Historical Commission to be maintained by the Town Treasurer in a separate fund. The principal and interest to be used by the Commission for capital expenditures authorized under Section 8D of Chapter 40 of the General Laws.

**ARTICLE 27.** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws by revising Section 2.03 by increasing the dimensional lot requirements for single and two family dwellings in the following respect:

Single-Family Dwelling **WITH** public water and sewer:

Minimum Lot Area:	30,000 square feet
Minimum Frontage:	150 feet
Minimum Lot Depth:	200 feet
Minimum Front Setback:	50 feet
Minimum Side Setback:	30 feet
Minimum Rear Setback:	30 feet

Single-Family Dwelling **WITHOUT** public water and sewer:

Minimum Lot Area:	60,000 square feet
Minimum Frontage:	200 feet
Minimum Lot Depth:	300 feet

Two-Family Dwelling:

Minimum Lot Area:	40,000 square feet
Minimum Frontage:	200 feet
Minimum Lot Depth:	200 feet

or take any other action relative thereto.

**YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION ON THIS ARTICLE.**

**VOTED:** That the Town amend the Zoning By-Laws by revising Section 2.03 by increasing the dimensional lot requirements for single and two family dwellings in the following respect:

Single-Family Dwelling **WITH** public water and sewer:

Minimum Lot Area:	30,000 square feet
Minimum Frontage:	150 feet
Minimum Lot Depth:	200 feet
Minimum Front Setback:	50 feet
Minimum Side Setback:	30 feet
Minimum Rear Setback:	30 feet

Single-Family Dwelling **WITHOUT** public water and sewer:

Minimum Lot Area:	60,000 square feet
Minimum Frontage:	200 feet
Minimum Lot Depth:	300 feet

Two-Family Dwelling:

Minimum Lot Area:	40,000 square feet
Minimum Frontage:	200 feet
Minimum Lot Depth:	200 feet

**ARTICLE 28.** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws by adding an amendment which would protect the groundwater supply resource from any use of land or structures which would reduce the quality or quantity of its water supply resources as follows:

Add to Section 8.01 District Types:

- WSP Water Supply Protection

**8.09 Water Supply Protection District**

**A. Purpose**

The purposes of this district are to promote the health, safety and welfare of the community by protecting and preserving the surface and groundwater supply resources of Palmer from any use of land or structures which reduce the quality or quantity of its water supply resources.

B. Scope of Authority

The Water Supply Protection District is an overlay district and shall be superimposed on the other districts established by this bylaw. All regulations of the Palmer Zoning Bylaw applicable to such underlying districts shall remain in effect, except that where the Water Supply Protection District imposes additional regulations, such regulations shall prevail.

C. District Delineation

The Water Supply Protection District is herein established to include all lands within the Town of Palmer lying within the primary and secondary recharge areas of groundwater aquifers and watershed areas of reservoirs which now or may in the future provide public water supply. The map entitled "Water Supply Protection District, Town of Palmer," on file with the Town Clerk, delineates the boundaries of the district.

Where the bounds delineated are in doubt or in dispute, the burden of proof shall be upon the owner(s) of the land in question to show where they should be properly located. At the request of the owner(s), the Town may engage a professional hydrogeologist to determine more accurately the location and extent of an aquifer recharge or watershed area, and may charge the owner(s) for all or part of the cost of the investigation.

D. Definitions

**Aquifer:** Geologic formation composed of rock or sand and gravel that contains significant amounts of potentially recoverable potable water.

**Groundwater:** All the water found beneath the surface of the ground.

**Hazardous Waste:** A waste which is hazardous to human health or the environment as designated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency under 40 CFR 250 and the Regulations of the Massachusetts Hazardous Waste Management Act, M.G.L., Chapter 21C.

**Impervious Surfaces:** Materials or structures on or above the ground that do not allow precipitation to infiltrate the underlying soil.

**Leachable Wastes:** Waste materials including solid wastes, sludge and pesticide and fertilizer wastes capable of releasing water-borne contaminants to the environment.

**Primary Aquifer Recharge Area:** Areas which are underlain by surficial geologic deposits including glaciofluvial or lacustrine stratified drift deposits or alluvium or swamp deposits, and in which the prevailing direction of groundwater flow is toward public water supply wells or potential sites for such wells.

**Secondary Aquifer Recharge Area:** Areas which are underlain by surficial geologic deposits including till or bedrock, and in which the prevailing direction of surface water flow is toward public water supply wells or potential sites for such wells.

**Watershed Area:** Lands lying adjacent to water courses or bodies which create the catchment or drainage areas of such water bodies or courses.

E. Prohibited Uses

1. Business and industrial uses which manufacture, process, store or dispose of hazardous materials or wastes as a principal activity, including, but not limited to metal plating, chemical manufacturing, wood preserving, furniture stripping, dry cleaning, and auto body repair.
2. Trucking or bus terminals, motor vehicle gasoline sales.
3. Car washes, except when located on public water and sewer.



4. Solid waste landfills, dumps, junk and salvage yards, with the exception of the disposal of brush and stumps.
5. Business and industrial uses, not agricultural, which involve the on-site disposal of process wastes from operations.
6. Disposal of liquid or leachable wastes, except for residential subsurface waste disposal system, normal agricultural operations, business or industrial uses which involve the on-site disposal of wastes from personal hygiene and food preparation for residents, patrons and employees.
7. Underground storage and/or transmission of petroleum products excluding liquified petroleum gases, unless all requirements for secondary containment specified in 310 CMR 30.693 are met.
8. Outdoor storage of salt, de-icing materials, pesticides or herbicides.
9. The use of septic system cleaners which contain toxic chemicals.
10. The rendering impervious of more than 20% of the area of any single lot.

#### F. Restricted Uses

1. Excavation for removal of earth, sand, gravel and other soils shall not extend closer than five (5) feet above the annual groundwater table. A monitoring well shall be installed by the property owner to verify groundwater elevations. This section shall not apply to uses incidental to permitted uses, including, but not limited to providing for the installation or maintenance of structural foundations, freshwater ponds, utility conduits or on-site sewage disposal.
  - a. Access road(s) to extractive operation sites shall include a gate or other secure mechanism to restrict public access to the site.
2. The use of sodium chloride for ice control shall be minimized, consistent with public highway safety requirements.
3. Commercial fertilizers, pesticides, herbicides, or other leachable materials shall not be used in amounts which result in groundwater contamination.
4. Above-ground storage tanks for oil, gasoline or other petroleum products shall be placed in a building on a diked, impermeable surface to prevent spills or leaks from reaching groundwater. Floor drains shall be plugged to prevent discharges.

#### G. Area Regulations

1. In areas within the district which are not served by municipal sewerage systems, the minimum allowable lot size shall be 40,000 square feet.

#### H. Drainage

1. All runoff from impervious surfaces shall be recharged on the site by being diverted toward areas covered with vegetation for surface infiltration to the extent possible. Dry wells shall be used only where other methods are infeasible, and shall be preceded by oil, grease and sediment traps to facilitate removal of contamination. All recharge areas shall be permanently maintained in full working order by owner.

#### I. Uses By Special Permit

Uses which may be permitted by the Planning Board:

1. Business and industrial activities permitted in the underlying district (either by matter of right or by special permit) shall file application for a special permit.
  - a. Requirements for Special Permit: The applicant shall file six (6) copies of a site plan with the Planning Board. The site plan shall, at a minimum, include the following information where pertinent:
    - (1) provisions to prevent contamination of groundwater by petroleum products, hazardous materials or wastes
    - (2) drainage recharge features and provisions to prevent loss of recharge

- (3) provisions to control soil erosion and sedimentation and soil compaction
  - (4) provisions to prevent seepage from sewer pipes
  - (5) A complete list of chemicals, pesticides, fuels and other potentially hazardous materials to be used or stored on the premises in quantities greater than those associated with normal household use. Those businesses using or storing such hazardous materials shall file a definitive operating plan, which shall comply with the Design and Operations Guidelines specified in Section 8.09-J of this bylaw.
  - (6) Evidence of compliance with the Regulations of the Massachusetts Hazardous Waste Management Act 310 CMR 30.
- b. Procedures for Special Permit
- (1) The Planning Board shall refer copies of the application to the Board of Health, Conservation Commission, Town Engineer, and Water Commissioners of the appropriate district which shall review the application, and following a vote of the Board/Department, shall submit their recommendations and comments to the Planning Board. Town Agencies which desire to make recommendations shall do so at the public hearing of the Special Permit Granting Authority.
  - (2) After notice and public hearing, and after due consideration of the reports and recommendations of the Boards/Departments, the Planning Board may grant such a Special Permit provided that it finds that the proposed use:
    - will not, during construction or thereafter, have an adverse environmental impact on groundwater resources in the district;
    - will not adversely affect the existing or potential quality and quantity of water in the Water Supply Protection District;
    - is appropriate to the natural topography, soils and other characteristics of the site to be developed;
    - has adequate public sewerage and water facilities.

#### J. Design and Operations Guidelines

The Board of Health shall be charged with the enforcement of this section, S.09-J. Businesses and industries shall make provisions to protect against toxic or hazardous materials discharge or loss resulting from corrosion, accidental damage, spillage or vandalism including but not limited to the following:

- o Spill containment and clean-up provisions to prevent hazardous material spillage to the environment;
- o Provisions for the prevention of corrosion and leakage of containers storing hazardous materials;
- o Provisions for indoor, secured storage of hazardous materials and accumulated hazardous wastes, and for protection from vandalism;
- o provisions for impervious floor surfaces where hazardous materials are used or stored with no drainage discharge to the environment.

#### H. Nonconforming Uses in the Water Supply District

Nonconforming uses which were lawfully existing, begun or in receipt of a building or special permit prior to the first publication of notice of public hearing for this bylaw may be continued. Such nonconforming uses may be extended or altered, provided that the applicant receives a Special Permit from the Planning Board which shall determine if the proposed change would increase the danger of groundwater pollution and thus be "substantially more detrimental to the neighborhood" as specified in Mass. General Laws, Chapter 40a, Sec. 6.

Applicants shall follow procedures specified in Section 8.09-J. of this bylaw.

or take any other action relative thereto.

YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION ON THIS ARTICLE.

VOTED: That the Town amend the Zoning By-Laws by adding an amendment which would protect the groundwater supply resource from any use of land or structures which would reduce the quality or quantity of its water supply resources as follows:

Add to Section 8.01 District Types:  
WSP Water Supply Protection

#### 8.09 Water Supply Protection District

##### A. Purpose

The purposes of this district are to promote the health, safety and welfare of the community by protecting and preserving the surface and groundwater supply resources of Palmer from any use of land or structures which reduce the quality or quantity of its water supply resources.

##### B. Scope of Authority

The Water Supply Protection District is an overlay district and shall be superimposed on the other districts established by this bylaw. All regulations of the Palmer Zoning Bylaw applicable to such underlying districts shall remain in effect, except that where the Water Supply Protection District imposes additional regulations, such regulations shall prevail.

##### C. District Delineation

The Water Supply Protection District is herein established to include all lands within the Town of Palmer lying within the primary and secondary recharge areas of groundwater aquifers and watershed areas of reservoirs which now or may in the future provide public water supply. The map entitled "Water Supply Protection District, Town of Palmer", on file with the Town Clerk, delineates the boundaries of the district.

Where the bounds delineated are in doubt or in dispute, the burden of proof shall be upon the owner(s) of the land in question to show where they should be properly located. At the request of the owner(s), the Town may engage a professional hydrogeologist to determine more accurately the location and extent of an aquifer recharge or watershed area, and may charge the owner(s) for all or part of the cost of the investigation.

##### D. Definitions

**Aquifer:** Geologic formation composed of rock or sand and gravel that contains significant amounts of potentially recoverable potable water.

**Groundwater:** All the water found beneath the surface of the ground.

**Hazardous Waste:** A waste which is hazardous to human health or the environment as designated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency under 40 CFR 250 and the Regulations of the Massachusetts Hazardous Waste Management Act, M.G.L., Chapter 21C.

**Impervious Surfaces:** Materials or structures on or above the ground that do not allow precipitation to infiltrate the underlying soil.

**Leachable Wastes:** Waste materials including solid wastes, sludge and pesticide



and fertilizer wastes capable of releasing water-borne contaminants to the environment.

**Primary Aquifer Recharge Area:** Areas which are underlain by surficial geologic deposits including glaciofluvial or lacustrine stratified drift deposits or alluvium or swamp deposits, and in which the prevailing direction of groundwater flow is toward public water supply wells or potential sites for such wells.

**Secondary Aquifer Recharge Area:** Areas which are underlain by surficial geologic deposits including till or bedrock, and in which the prevailing direction of surface water flow is toward public water supply wells or potential sites for such wells.

**Watershed Area:** Lands lying adjacent to water courses or bodies which create the catchment or drainage areas of such water bodies or courses.

#### E. Prohibited Uses

1. Business and industrial uses which manufacture, process, store or dispose of hazardous materials or wastes as a principal activity, including but not limited to metal plating, chemical manufacturing, wood preserving, furniture stripping, dry cleaning, and auto body repair.
2. Trucking or bus terminals, motor vehicle gasoline sales.
3. Car washes, except when located on public water and sewer.
4. Solid waste landfills, dumps, junk and salvage yards, with the exception of the disposal of brush and stumps.
5. Business and industrial uses, not agricultural, which involve the on-site disposal of process wastes from operations.
6. Disposal of liquid or leachable wastes, except for residential subsurface waste disposal system, normal agricultural operations, business or industrial uses which involve the on-site disposal of wastes from personal hygiene and food preparation for residents, patrons and employees.
7. Underground storage and/or transmission of petroleum products excluding liquified petroleum gases, unless all requirements for secondary containment specified in 310 CMR 30.693 are met.
8. Outdoor storage of salt, de-icing materials, pesticides or herbicides.
9. The use of septic system cleaners which contain toxic chemicals.
10. The rendering impervious of more than 20% of the area of any single lot.

#### F. Restricted Uses

1. Excavation for removal of earth, sand, gravel and other soils shall not extend closer than five (5) feet above the annual high groundwater table. A monitoring well shall be installed by the property owner to verify groundwater elevations. This section shall not apply to uses incidental to permitted uses, including but not limited to providing for the installation or maintenance of structural foundations, freshwater ponds, utility conduits or on-site sewage disposal.
  - a. Access road(s) to extractive operation sites shall include a gate or other secure mechanism to restrict public access to the site.
2. The use of sodium chloride for ice control shall be minimized, consistent with public highway safety requirements.
3. Commercial fertilizers, pesticides, herbicides, or other leachable materials shall not be used in amounts which result in groundwater contamination.
4. Above-ground storage tanks for oil, gasoline or other petroleum products shall be placed in a building on a diked, impermeable surface to prevent spills or leaks from reaching groundwater. Floor drains shall be plugged to prevent discharges.

#### G. Area Regulations

1. In areas within the district which are not served by municipal sewerage



systems, the minimum allowable lot size shall be 40,000 square feet.

#### H. Drainage

1. All runoff from impervious surfaces shall be recharged on the site by being diverted toward areas covered with vegetation for surface infiltration to the extent possible. Dry wells shall be used only where other methods are infeasible, and shall be preceded by oil, grease and sediment traps to facilitate removal of contamination. All recharge areas shall be permanently maintained in full working order by owner.

#### I. Uses By Special Permit

Uses which may be permitted by the Planning Board:

1. Business and industrial activities permitted in the underlying district (either by matter of right or by special permit) shall file application for a special permit.
  - a. Requirements for Special Permit: The applicant shall file six (6) copies of a site plan with the Planning Board. The site plan shall, at a minimum, include the following information where pertinent:
    - (1) provisions to prevent contamination of groundwater by petroleum products, hazardous materials or wastes
    - (2) drainage recharge features and provisions to prevent loss of recharge
    - (3) provisions to control soil erosion and sedimentation and soil compaction
    - (4) provisions to prevent seepage from sewer pipes
    - (5) A complete list of chemicals, pesticides, fuels and other potentially hazardous materials to be used or stored on the premises in quantities greater than those associated with normal household use. Those businesses using or storing such hazardous materials shall file a definitive operating plan, which shall comply with the Design and Operations Guidelines specified in Section 8.09-J. of this bylaw.
    - (6) Evidence of compliance with the Regulations of the Massachusetts Hazardous Waste Management Act 310 CMR 30.
  - b. Procedures for Special Permit
    - (1) The Planning Board shall refer copies of the application to the Board of Health, Conservation Commission, Town Engineer, and Water Commissioners of the appropriate district which shall review the application, and following a vote of the Board/Department, shall submit their recommendations and comments to the Planning Board. Town Agencies which desire to make recommendations shall do so at the public hearing of the Special Permit Granting Authority.
    - (2) After notice and public hearing, and after due consideration of the reports and recommendations of the Boards/Departments, the Planning Board may grant such a Special Permit provided that it finds that the proposed use:
      - will not, during construction or thereafter, have an adverse environmental impact on groundwater resources in the district;
      - will not adversely affect the existing or potential quality and quantity of water in the Water Supply Protection District;
      - is appropriate to the natural topography, soils and other characteristics of the site to be developed;
      - has adequate public sewerage and water facilities.

#### J. Design and Operations Guidelines

The Board of Health shall be charged with the enforcement of this section, 8.09-J. Businesses and industries shall make provisions to protect against toxic or hazard-

ous materials discharge or loss resulting from corrosion, accidental damage, spillage or vandalism including, but not limited to the following:

- o Spill containment and clean-up provisions to prevent hazardous material spillage to the environment;
- o Provisions for the prevention of corrosion and leakage of containers storing hazardous materials;
- o Provisions for indoor, secured storage of hazardous materials and accumulated hazardous wastes, and for protection from vandalism;
- o Provisions for impervious floor surfaces where hazardous materials are used or stored with no drainage discharge to the environment.

**K. Nonconforming Uses in the Water Supply District**

Nonconforming uses which were lawfully existing, begun or in receipt of a building or special permit prior to the first publication of notice of public hearing for this bylaw may be continued. Such nonconforming uses may be extended or altered, provided that the applicant receives a Special Permit from the Planning Board which shall determine if the proposed change would increase the danger of groundwater pollution and thus be "substantially more detrimental to the neighborhood" as specified in Mass. General Laws, Chapter 40a, Sec. 6.

Applicants shall follow procedures specified in Section 8.09-J of this bylaw.

**ARTICLE 29.** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Map of the Town of Palmer dated June 15, 1981, as amended, by changing the designations thereon of the following described parcel of land from "Agricultural/Low Density Residential" to "Industrial":

Circa land westerly of B & M Railroad in Palmer

Beginning at a point in the westerly location line of the Boston & Maine Railroad at the intersection of said location line with the Town line between the Towns of Palmer and Ware

Said point being 935 feet + westerly of Rt. 32 measured along the Palmer-Ware Town line;

Thence southerly along the westerly location line of the B & M Railroad for a distance of 1160 feet + to a point;

Thence westerly along land of Libri Realty Trust for a distance of 2100 feet + to the Ware River;

Thence northerly on the Ware River to the Palmer-Ware Town line;

Thence easterly on the aforementioned Town line 2815 feet + to the sideline of the B & M Railroad and the point of beginning.

containing 26 areas more or less.

or take any other action relative thereto.

**YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THAT ACTION UNDER THIS ARTICLE BE INDEFINITELY POSTPONED.**

**VOTED:** That action under Article 29 be indefinitely postponed.

**ARTICLE 30.** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Map of Palmer dated June 15, 1981, as amended by changing the designation thereon of the following

described parcel of land from "Village High Density Residential" to "General Business":

Beginning at the Southwesterly corner of land formerly of Ebenezer Brown, and thence running Northerly along line of land formerly of said Brown One Hundred and Sixty (160) Feet to land of Frank H. Hart;

thence Westerly along said last named land Ninety (90) Feet to land of M. Rachel Holbrook;

thence Southerly along said last named One Hundred and Sixty (160) Feet to said North Main Street;

thence Easterly being Lot #1 on Plan of Lots of the heirs of Clara Holbrook recorded in the Registry of Deeds for said County of Hampden, Book of Plans 2, page 164, to which plan reference is hereby made for further description.

Said premises are commonly known as #501 North Main Street, Palmer, MA.

or take any other action relative thereto.

**YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION ON THIS ARTICLE.**

**VOTED:** That the Town amend the Zoning Map of the Town of Palmer dated June 15, 1981, as amended by changing the designation thereon of the following described parcel of land from "Village High Density Residential" to "General Business":

Beginning at the Southwesterly corner of land formerly of Ebenezer Brown, and thence running Northerly along line of land formerly of said Brown One Hundred and Sixty (160) Feet to land of Frank H. Hart;

thence Westerly along said last named land Ninety (90) Feet to land of M. Rachel Holbrook;

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Said premises are commonly known as #501 North Main Street, Palmer, MA.

**ARTICLE 31.** To see if the Town will vote to accept an Equal Educational Opportunity Grant for Fiscal Year 1988 in the amount of \$114,948 under the provisions of GL. Ch. 70A, S.5, as inserted by Ch. 188 of the Acts of 1985. Said grant shall be expended by the School Committee for direct service expenditures, or take any other action relative thereto.

**YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION ON THIS ARTICLE.**

**VOTED:** That the Town will accept an Equal Educational Opportunity Grant for Fiscal Year 1988 in the amount of \$114,948 under the provisions of GL. Ch 70A, S.5, as inserted by Ch. 188 of the Acts of 1985. Said grant shall be expended by the School Committee for direct service expenditures.

**ARTICLE 32.** To see if the Town will vote to raise money and make appropriations to defray the expenses of the Town for the fiscal year 1988.

VOTED: That the following sums of money be raised and appropriated to defray the expenses of the Town for the fiscal year 1988:

1. MODERATOR SALARY		164
<b>SELECTMEN'S DEPARTMENT</b>		
2. Salaries	6,878	
3. Clerical	11,532	
4. Other Expenses	13,565	
5. Contingent	<u>900</u>	32,875
<b>ACCOUNTANT'S DEPARTMENT:</b>		
6. Salary of Town Accountant/ Exec. Secr.	25,461	
7. Clerical	14,638	
8. Other Expenses	<u>1,180</u>	41,279
<b>TREASURER:</b>		
9. Salary	22,589	
10. Clerical	22,791	
11. Other Expenses	<u>18,000</u>	63,380
<b>COLLECTOR:</b>		
12. Salary	22,589	
13. Clerical	28,385	
14. Other Expenses	<u>13,520</u>	64,494
<b>TOWN CLERK:</b>		
15. Salary/Clerk, Bd. of Registrars	22,939	
16. Clerical	14,636	
17. Other Expenses	<u>4,200</u>	41,775
<b>ELECTION &amp; REGISTRATION:</b>		
18. Registrars' Salaries	2,921	
19. Other Expenses	20,000	
20. Equipment	<u>10,832</u>	33,753
<b>ASSESSORS:</b>		
21. Salaries	6,551	
22. Clerical	27,944	
23. Other Expenses	<u>10,000</u>	44,495
<b>LAW AND CLAIMS:</b>		
24. Salary of Town Counsel	4,816	
25. Other Expenses	2,000	
26. Special Legal Services	<u>2,000</u>	8,816
<b>LICENSES COMMISSIONERS:</b>		
27. Salary of Clerk	383	
28. Expenses	<u>1,050</u>	1,433



<b>MEMORIAL HALL:</b>		
29.	Salary of Custodian	4,119
30.	Other Expenses	<u>4,040</u>
		8,159
<b>PALMER TOWN BUILDING:</b>		
31.	Salary of Custodian	6,122
32.	Other Expenses	<u>18,095</u>
		24,217
<b>ENGINEERING:</b>		
33.	Town Engineer's Salary	7,223
34.	Consulting Engineer	<u>6,000</u>
		13,223
<b>FINANCE:</b>		
35.	Salary of Recording Secretary	1,913
36.	Other Expenses	<u>3,400</u>
		5,313
<b>PLANNING BOARD:</b>		
37.	Salary of Administrative Assistant to Zoning Boards	15,081
38.	Other Expenses	<u>5,800</u>
		20,881
<b>BOARD OF APPEALS:</b>		
39.	Recording Secretary	328
40.	Expenses	<u>1,143</u>
		1,471
<b>PERSONNEL BOARD:</b>		
41.	Expenses	250
<b>COUNCIL ON AGING:</b>		
42.	Director's Salary	12,309
43.	Drivers	11,538
44.	Expenses	<u>2,902</u>
		26,749
<b>PALMER REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY:</b>		
45.	Expenses	<u>2,050</u>
	<b>TOTAL FOR GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>	<u>434,777</u>

#### **PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY**

<b>POLICE DEPARTMENT:</b>		
46.	Salaries	645,568
	Less: Transfer from F.R.S.	<u>7,625</u>
	To be raised by Taxation	637,943
47.	Other Expenses	51,587
48.	Cruisers	24,150
49.	Equipment	<u>2,049</u>
		715,729
<b>AUXILIARY POLICE:</b>		
50.	Expenses	1,400
<b>CIVIL DEFENSE:</b>		
51.	Salary	618
52.	Expenses	<u>100</u>
		718

<b>FOREST WARDEN:</b>		
53. Salary	2,831	
54. Other Expenses	1,545	
55. Out-of-District Fires	<u>3,000</u>	7,376
<b>FORESTRY:</b>		
56. Labor	1,204	
57. Other Expenses	5,400	
58. Dutch Elm Disease	4,793	
59. Insect Pest Control	<u>1,500</u>	12,897
<b>SEALER:</b>		
60. Salary	1,966	
61. Expenses	<u>875</u>	2,841
<b>DOG OFFICER:</b>		
62. Salary/Court-time	2,783	
63. Other Expenses	<u>8,530</u>	11,313
<b>GAS INSPECTOR:</b>		
64. Salary and Expenses		412
<b>TOWN FIRE ENGINEERS:</b>		
		175
<b>CONSERVATION COMMISSION:</b>		
66. Clerical	328	
67. Expenses	<u>1,660</u>	1,988
<b>WIRE INSPECTOR:</b>		
68. Salary and Expenses		3,060
<b>HISTORICAL COMMISSION:</b>		
69. Expenses		800
<b>BUILDING INSPECTOR:</b>		
70. Salary and Expenses		11,000
<b>PARKING CLERK:</b>		
71. Expenses		1,000
<b>RENT CONTROL BOARD:</b>		
72. Expenses		200
TOTAL FOR PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY		<u>770,909</u>

#### HEALTH AND SANITATION

<b>BOARD OF HEALTH:</b>		
73. Salaries	3,276	
74. Health Agent's Salary	1,510	
75. Other Expenses	<u>7,900</u>	12,686
<b>MILK INSPECTION:</b>		
76. Salary and Expenses		464
<b>ANIMAL INSPECTION:</b>		
77. Salary and Expenses		1,203

<b>VERMIN CONTROL:</b>		
78.	Salary	568
79.	<b>VITAL STATISTICS:</b>	500
<b>PALMER VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION:</b>		
80.		14,500
<b>PLUMBING INSPECTOR:</b>		
81.	Salary	1,500
82.	Expenses	<u>500</u>
		2,000
83.	<b>HOME CARE CORPORATION:</b>	1,200
<b>SANITARY LANDFILL:</b>		
84.	Salary of Caretaker	15,590
85.	Contracted Services	96,000
86.	Other Expenses	<u>800</u>
		112,390
87.	<b>SEWER TRUNKMAIN CLEANING:</b>	3,000
88.	<b>GENERAL SEWER MAINTENANCE:</b>	13,666
<b>WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT:</b>		
89.	Salaries	215,845
90.	Expenses	297,950
91.	Equipment	<u>3,000</u>
		516,795
<b>TOTAL FOR HEALTH AND SANITATION</b>		<u>678,972</u>

## HIGHWAYS

<b>HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:</b>		
92.	Salaries	307,531
93.	General Highway Maint.	67,865
94.	Street Signs & Traffic Regulations	6,290
95.	Highway Equipment & Repairs	10,500
96.	Maintenance of Railroad Crossings	3,000
97.	Bridge Maintenance	100
98.	General Sidewalk Maint.	4,300
99.	Surface Treatment	38,406
100.	Snow Removal	38,000
101.	Street Lighting	<u>76,000</u>
<b>TOTAL FOR HIGHWAYS</b>		<u>551,992</u>

## VETERANS' DEPARTMENT

<b>VETERANS:</b>		
102.	Veterans' Agent Salary	6,110
103.	Veterans' Benefits	43,250
104.	Veterans' Other Expenses	<u>1,650</u>
<b>TOTAL FOR VETERANS' DEPARTMENT</b>		<u>51,010</u>

## EDUCATION AND LIBRARIES

105.	Public Schools - Support and Maintenance	5,293,001
106.	Pathfinder Regional Vocational-Technical High School District	616,476
107.	Palmer Public Library	<u>206,892</u>
	TOTAL FOR EDUCATION AND LIBRARIES	6,116,369

## PARKS, RECREATION AND CELEBRATIONS

### PARKS:

108.	Salaries	117,539	
109.	Equipment	10,800	
110.	Other Expenses	19,200	
111.	Pee Wee Park Maintenance	<u>1,600</u>	149,139

112.	NICK LAVIOLETTE PARK:	1,600
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### RECREATION:

113.	Salaries	20,758	
114.	Other Expenses	<u>11,550</u>	32,308

115.	MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE:	<u>2,500</u>
	TOTAL FOR PARKS, RECREATION AND CELEBRATIONS	185,547

## CEMETERIES

### CEMETERIES:

116.	Labor	45,807
117.	Salary of Secretary	2,431
118.	Other Expenses	9,325
	Less: Transfer from sale of Cemetery Lots Acct. To be raised by Taxation	<u>2,500</u>
		6,825
119.	Equipment	<u>6,070</u>
	TOTAL FOR CEMETERIES	61,133

## PENSIONS

120.	COUNTY RETIREMENT ASSESSMENT:	235,492
121.	RETIREMENT, Leo J. Santucci	23,094
122.	RETIREMENT, Stanley J. Strzemienski	<u>9,104</u>
	TOTAL FOR PENSIONS	267,690

## INSURANCE

### INSURANCE:

123.	General Insurance	264,825	
124.	Blue Cross/Blue Shield	105,000	
125.	Group Life Insurance	2,600	
126.	Unemployment	<u>15,000</u>	
	TOTAL FOR INSURANCE		387,425



**UNCLASSIFIED**

127. <b>TOWN REPORTS:</b>	<u>3,500</u>
TOTAL FOR UNCLASSIFIED	3,500

**INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT**

**INTEREST:**

128. Tax Anticipation Note	25,000	
129. Three Rivers Flood Control	825	
130. Palmer Industrial Park		
Urban Renewal	37,750	
131. Wastewater Treatment		
Facilities	75,425	
132. Abated Taxes	2,000	
133. Purchase & Renovation of		
New Library Building	550	
134. Calkins Rd. Sewer Project	10,500	
135. Lake Thompson Sewer Project	<u>50,000</u>	
TOTAL INTEREST		<u>202,050</u>

**PRINCIPAL:**

136. Three Rivers Flood Control	5,000	
137. Palmer Industrial Park		
Urban Renewal	125,000	
138. Wastewater Treatment		
Facilities	85,500	
139. Purchase of Library	10,000	
140. Calkins Rd. Sewer Project	<u>10,000</u>	
TOTAL PRINCIPAL		<u>235,500</u>
TOTAL - ARTICLE 32		9,946,874

**ARTICLE 33.** To choose committees and give them instructions.

**ARTICLE - APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED  
GENERAL GOVERNMENT**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Expended FY85</b>	<b>Expended FY86</b>	<b>Approp. Recommended FY87</b>	<b>Recommended FY88</b>
<b>MODERATOR:</b>	150	150	159	164
<b>SELECTMEN:</b>				
Salaries	6,300	6,300	6,678	6,878
Clerical	4,092	4,720	6,154	11,532
Contingent Account	335	359	900	900
<b>ACCOUNTANT/EXEC.</b>				
<b>SECRETARY:</b>				
Salary	22,000	22,880	24,253	25,461
Clerical	8,431	8,018	10,076	14,638
Other Expenses	1,052	1,502	977	1,180
<b>TREASURER:</b>				
Salary	19,518	20,299	21,517	22,589
Clerical	15,341	16,359	17,873	22,791
Other Expenses	9,355	9,444	15,350	17,800
Tax Title Foreclosures	-0-	10		200
<b>COLLECTOR:</b>				
Salary	19,518	20,299	21,517	22,589
Clerical	21,934	23,163	23,573	28,385
Other Expenses	11,420	11,897	12,580	13,520
<b>TOWN CLERK:</b>				
Salary & Clerk, Bd. of Regis.	19,868	20,649	21,867	22,939
Clerical	11,711	12,300	13,002	14,636
Other Expenses	3,684	5,039	4,000	4,200
<b>ELECTION &amp; REGISTRATION:</b>				
Registrars' Salaries	2,675	2,675	2,838	2,921
Other Expenses	14,345	10,613	19,380	20,000
Equipment				10,832
<b>ASSESSORS:</b>				
Salaries	5,999	6,000	6,360	6,551
Clerical	21,604	22,315	23,618	27,944
Other Expenses	10,033	8,679	9,450	10,000
Contracted Services				
Revaluation of Properties	2,310	900	20,000	
<b>LAW AND CLAIMS:</b>				
Salary of Town Counsel	4,240	4,410	4,675	4,816
Other Expenses	1,100	1,412	2,000	2,000
Special Legal Services	1,539	1,871	2,000	2,000

Item	Expended FY85	Expended FY86	Approp. FY87	Recommended FY88
<b>LICENSE</b>				
<b>COMMISSIONERS:</b>				
Clerical	300	350	371	383
Expenses	900	1,050	1,050	1,050
<b>MEMORIAL HALL:</b>				
Salary of Custodian	3,628	3,773	3,999	4,119
Other Expenses	6,757	3,333	4,610	4,040
<b>PALMER TOWN</b>				
<b>BUILDING:</b>				
Salary of Custodian	5,391	5,575	5,943	6,122
Other Expenses	17,737	17,368	19,595	18,095
<b>ENGINEERING:</b>				
Town Engineer's				
Salary	6,360	6,615	7,012	7,223
Consulting Engineer	8,720	9,224	4,000	6,000
<b>FINANCE:</b>				
Salary of Re-				
recording Secretary	-0-	600	636	1,913
Salary of Clerk	1,107	903	1,221	
Other Expenses	1,318	711	3,285	3,400
<b>PLANNING BOARD:</b>				
Clerical	3,721			
Other Expenses	3,075	3,846	5,450	5,800
Admin. Asst. Zoning				
Bds. & Bldg. Dept.	6,100	11,242	11,881	15,081
<b>BOARD OF APPEALS:</b>				
Expenses	1,229	1,674	1,175	1,143
Recording Secretary	500	300	318	328
<b>PERSONNEL BOARD:</b>				
Expenses	20	139	185	250
<b>COUNCIL ON AGING:</b>				
Director	10,636	11,061	11,725	12,309
Drivers			10,861	11,538
Expenses	5,697	8,311	2,846	2,902
<b>PALMER REDEVELOP-</b>				
<b>MENT AUTHORITY:</b>				
Expenses	1,870	1,500	1,850	2,050
<b>TOTAL FOR GENERAL</b>				
<b>GOVERNMENT</b>	334,706	342,649	402,124	434,777

Item	Expended FY85	Expended FY86	Approp. FY87	Recommended FY88
<b>PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY</b>				
<b>POLICE DEPARTMENT:</b>				
Salaries	440,256	466,436	482,584	645,568
Other Expenses	47,342	49,474	43,069	51,587
Cruisers	19,579		23,000	24,150
Equipment	5,899	22,644	13,000	2,049
<b>AUXILIARY POLICE:</b>				
Expenses	1,244	1,399	1,400	1,400
<b>CIVIL DEFENSE:</b>				
Salary	544	566	600	618
Expenses	100	100	100	100
<b>FOREST WARDEN:</b>				
Salary	2,492	2,592	2,748	2,831
Other Expenses	1,828	1,131	1,295	1,545
Out-of-District Fires	1,886	2,577	2,000	3,000
Equipment			2,000	
<b>FORESTRY</b>				
<b>DEPARTMENT:</b>				
Labor	1,060	1,102	1,168	1,204
Other Expenses	6,391	6,291	6,800	5,400
Dutch Elm Disease	4,775	4,735	4,793	4,793
Insect Pest Control	1,472	1,423	1,500	1,500
<b>SEALER:</b>				
Salary	1,800	1,714	1,908	1,966
Other Expenses	565	827	875	875
<b>DOG OFFICER:</b>				
Salary/Court Time	1,662	1,728	1,832	2,783
Other Expenses	8,710	8,457	8,630	8,530
<b>GAS INSPECTOR:</b>				
Salary & Expenses	343	356	376	412
<b>TOWN FIRE</b>				
<b>ENGINEERS:</b>				
	159	165	175	175
<b>CONSERVATION</b>				
<b>COMMISSION:</b>				
Clerical	300	300	318	328
Expenses	508	976	900	1,660
<b>WIRE INSPECTOR:</b>				
Salary & Expenses	3,416	3,050	1,560	3,060
<b>HISTORICAL</b>				
<b>COMMISSION:</b>				
Expenses	200	244	700	800
<b>RENT CONTROL</b>				
<b>BOARD:</b>				
	-0-	-0-	200	200



Item	Expended FY85	Expended FY86	Approp. FY87	Recommended FY88
<b>BUILDING INSPECTOR:</b>				
Salary & Expenses	6,555	11,300	5,500	11,000
<b>PARKING CLERK:</b>				
Salary & Expenses	745	1,165	1,000	1,000
<b>TOTAL FOR PRO- TECTION OF PERSONS &amp; PROPERTY</b>	<hr/> 559,831	<hr/> 590,752	<hr/> 610,031	<hr/> 778,534
<b>HEALTH AND SANITATION</b>				
<b>BOARD OF HEALTH:</b>				
Salaries	3,000	3,000	3,180	3,276
Health Agent's Salary	1,330	1,357	1,466	1,510
Other Expenses	6,512	6,740	8,026	7,900
<b>MILK INSPECTION:</b>				
Salary & Expenses	401	431	453	464
<b>ANIMAL INSPECTION:</b>				
Salary & Expenses	1,60	1,102	1,168	1,203
<b>VITAL STATISTICS:</b>	488	432	500	500
<b>PALMER VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION:</b>	12,500	14,450	14,500	14,500
<b>VERMIN CONTROL:</b>				
Salary				568
<b>PLUMBING INSPECTOR:</b>				
Salary	2,323	3,447	1,500	1,500
Expenses				500
<b>HOME CARE CORPORATION:</b>	1,114	1,200	1,200	1,200
<b>SANITATION LANDFILL:</b>				
Salary of Caretaker	12,716	12,230	12,016	15,590
Contracted Services	52,699	54,000	60,000	96,000
Other Expenses	1,166	496	1,600	800
<b>SEWER TRUNKMAIN CLEANING:</b>	3,000	2,934	3,000	3,000
<b>GENERAL SEWER MAINTENANCE:</b>	12,842	12,920	13,200	13,666

Item	Expended FY85	Expended FY86	Approp. FY87	Recommended FY88
<b>WASTEWATER TREAT- MENT PLANT:</b>				
Salaries	155,103	152,718	176,395	215,845
Expenses	283,432	287,541	324,500	297,950
Equipment		15,148	29,700	3,000
<b>TOTAL FOR HEALTH AND SANITATION</b>	<hr/> 549,686	<hr/> 570,146	<hr/> 652,404	<hr/> 678,972
<b>HIGHWAYS</b>				
<b>HIGHWAYS:</b>				
Salaries	220,315	236,072	254,089	307,531
General Highway Maintenance	72,933	64,820	66,015	67,865
Street Signs & Traffic Regulations	5,892	5,893	5,900	6,290
Highway Equipment & Repairs	44,027	29,462	7,730	10,500
Maintenance of Rail- road Crossings	2,700	2,850	2,850	3,000
Bridge Maintenance	99	95	100	100
General Sidewalk Maintenance	4,494	3,484	4,000	4,300
Surface Treatment	30,896	31,479	36,520	38,406
Snow Removal	35,494	38,116	38,000	38,000
Street Lighting	74,538	74,714	80,000	76,000
<b>TOTAL FOR HIGHWAYS</b>	<hr/> 491,388	<hr/> 486,985	<hr/> 495,204	<hr/> 551,992
<b>VETERANS' DEPARTMENT</b>				
<b>VETERANS':</b>				
Veterans' Agent	5,374	5,249	5,932	6,110
Veterans' Benefits	13,720	45,072	43,250	43,250
Veterans' Expenses	1,128	1,010	1,850	1,650
<b>TOTAL FOR VETERANS' DEPARTMENT:</b>	<hr/> 20,222	<hr/> 51,331	<hr/> 51,032	<hr/> 51,010
<b>EDUCATION AND LIBRARIES</b>				
<b>PUBLIC SCHOOLS</b>	4,320,302	4,615,810	4,988,900	5,293,001
<b>PATHFINDER</b>				
<b>REGIONAL:</b>	483,048	532,485	599,459	616,476
<b>PALMER PUBLIC</b>				
<b>LIBRARY:</b>	162,947	181,956	196,212	206,892
<b>TOTAL FOR EDUCATION AND LIBRARIES</b>	<hr/> 4,966,297	<hr/> 5,330,251	<hr/> 5,784,571	<hr/> 6,116,369

Item	Expended FY85	Expended FY86	Approp. FY87	Recommended FY88
<b>PARKS, RECREATION, AND CELEBRATIONS</b>				
<b>PARKS:</b>				
Salaries	87,066	89,199	100,167	117,539
Equipment	20,005	16,569	11,500	10,800
Other Expenses	16,294	18,644	17,550	19,200
Pee Wee Park Maintenance	1,596	1,595	1,600	1,600
<b>NICK LAVIOLETTE PARK:</b>	1,599	1,539	1,600	1,600
<b>RECREATION:</b>				
Salaries	15,101	15,698	16,587	20,758
Other Expenses	10,456	10,523	11,125	11,550
<b>MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE:</b>	2,000	2,196	2,500	2,500
<b>TOTAL FOR PARKS, RECREATION &amp; CELEBRATIONS</b>	<hr/> 154,117	<hr/> 155,963	<hr/> 162,629	<hr/> 185,547
<b>CEMETERIES:</b>				
Labor	38,354	44,147	39,997	45,807
Salary of Secretary	2,140	2,226	2,360	2,431
Other Expenses	9,508	8,661	7,985	9,325
Equipment	659	17,430	5,300	6,070
<b>TOTAL FOR CEMETERIES</b>	<hr/> 50,661	<hr/> 72,464	<hr/> 55,642	<hr/> 63,633
<b>PENSIONS</b>				
<b>COUNTY RETIREMENT ASSESSMENT:</b>	208,117	218,521	235,612	235,492
<b>RETIREMENT, LEO J. SANTUCCI:</b>	21,973	22,294	22,694	23,094
<b>RETIREMENT, STANLEY STRZEMIENSKI:</b>	7,976	8,304	8,704	9,104
<b>TOTAL FOR PENSIONS</b>	<hr/> 238,066	<hr/> 249,119	<hr/> 267,010	<hr/> 267,690
<b>INSURANCE</b>				
<b>INSURANCE:</b>				
General Insurance	80,699	153,427	220,688	264,825
Blue Cross/Blue Shield	87,033	89,866	103,000	105,000
Group Life Insurance	2,467	2,442	2,550	2,600
Unemployment	3,136	7,447	15,000	15,000
<b>TOTAL FOR INSURANCE</b>	<hr/> 173,335	<hr/> 253,182	<hr/> 314,238	<hr/> 387,425

Item	Expended FY85	Expended FY86	Approp. FY87	Recommended FY88
<b>UNCLASSIFIED</b>				
<b>TOWN REPORTS</b>	3,558	3,771	4,000	3,500
<b>TOTAL FOR UNCLASSIFIED</b>	3,558	3,771	4,000	3,500
<b>INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT</b>				
<b>INTEREST:</b>				
Tax Anticipation Notes	36,227	25,488	10,000	25,000
Three Rivers Flood Control	1,650	1,375	1,100	825
Palmer Industrial Park Urban Renewal	57,250	50,750	44,250	37,750
Wastewater Treatment Facilities	93,802	85,963	87,500	75,425
Abated Taxes	-0-	-0-	2,000	2,000
Purchase & Renovation of New Library Building	6,325	4,125	1,925	550
Calkins Road Sewer Project	17,268	16,565	14,000	10,500
Lake Thompson Sewer Project			23,600	50,000
<b>TOTAL INTEREST</b>	212,522	184,266	184,375	202,050
<b>PRINCIPAL:</b>				
Three Rivers Flood Control	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Palmer Industrial Park Urban Renewal	130,000	130,000	130,000	125,000
Wastewater Treatment Facilities	80,000	85,400	85,500	85,500
Renovation of Library	30,000	30,000	30,000	
Purchase of Library	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Calkins Rd. Sewer Project		10,000	10,000	10,000
<b>TOTAL FOR PRINCIPAL</b>	255,000	270,400	270,500	235,500
<b>TOTALS</b>	8,009,389	8,561,279	9,280,760	9,956,999
<b>LESS TRANSFERS:</b>				
<b>FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING</b>	250,000	240,000	225,000	7,625



Item	Expended FY85	Expended FY86	Approp. FY87	Recommended FY88
STATE AID TO FREE LIBRARIES	5,695	5,695	5,695	
SALE OF CEMETERY LOTS	2,500	2,500	1,500	2,500
	<hr/> 7,751,194	<hr/> 8,313,084	<hr/> 9,048,565	<hr/> 9,946,874



**ANNUAL REPORT**

OF THE

**TOWN OFFICERS**

OF THE

**TOWN OF PALMER**

AND OF THE

**Receipts and Expenditures**

FOR THE

Year Ending December 31, 1986





## FACTS ABOUT PALMER

SETTLED	1716
INCORPORATED AS A DISTRICT	1752
ACCEPTED AS A TOWN	1776
LOCATION	About 15 miles east of Springfield on Route 20
HIGHEST ELEVATION	Mt. Pattaquatic, 1080 feet
POPULATION	11,327 (Federal Census-1985)
FORM OF GOVERNMENT	Town Meeting
TAX RATE—FY—1986 TOWN	22.00
FIRE DISTRICT TAX	
Fire District #1	2.40
Fire District #2	2.55
Fire District #3	3.75
Fire District #4	2.65
NUMBER OF DWELLINGS	Approximately 3,200
PROPERTY VALUATION	182,838,050
AREA	Approximately: Land 20,110.0 acres; water, 457.5 acres, total 20,568.4 acres, 32.14 sq. miles.
STREETS AND HIGHWAYS	About 150 miles
PUBLIC SCHOOLS	Three elementary at Palmer, one each at Three Rivers, Thorndike and Bondsville. High School at Palmer
FIRE PROTECTION	Well equipped and established fire stations at Walnut Street, Palmer with a 39 member call force and one full-time firefighter headed by Chief Gus A. Theodore (Civil Service). Springfield Street, Three Rivers with a 26 member call force headed by Chief Thomas J. McLaughlin. Main Street, Bondsville with a 22 member call force headed by Chief John Sullivan.
POLICE	Well-established 16-member force headed by Chief of Police, Harold L. Olson. (Chief of Police Harold L. Olson retired on September 6, 1986. Howard E. Case was appointed Acting Chief on September 7, 1986).

RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

Legion Field, Eager Playground, Burleigh Park, Nick Laviolette Park, Three Rivers plus playground and recreational equipment at Three Rivers Common, Thorndike Grammar School and Endelson Playground, Bondsville.

PUBLIC LIBRARY

North Main St., Palmer

**GOVERNMENTAL DISTRICT  
AND REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE  
TOWN OF PALMER**

**United States Senators**

John F. Kerry, Lowell  
Edward M. Kennedy, Boston

**Councillor**

Seventh Councillor District  
James D. O'Brien, Jr.

**State Senator**

Worcester, Hampden, Franklin  
and  
Hampshire Senatorial District  
Robert D. Wetmore

**Representatives in General Court**

First Hampden Representative District  
William E. Moriarty, Ware

**Representative in Congress**

Edward P. Boland

**County Commissioners**

Thomas J. O'Connor  
Richard S. Thomas  
Leonard J. Collamore

**District Attorney**

Matthew J. Ryan, Jr., Springfield

**TOWN OFFICERS 1986**  
**(elective)**

**TOWN CLERK**

Jacob Toshikian

Resigned 8/31/86

Patricia C. Donovan \*

\* Appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Jacob Toshikian.

**TOWN TREASURER**

Irene T. Brozek

Term expires 1987

**COLLECTOR OF TAXES**

Stephen J. Dranka

Term expires 1989

**SELECTMEN**

Mark E. Benoit, Chairman

Term expires 1987

Mary A. Fogarty

Term expires 1988

Theodore M. Kellogg

Term expires 1989

**ASSESSORS**

Alvin C. Rondeau, Chairman

Term expires 1987

Stanley J. Swiatlowski

Term expires 1988

Mary E. Nagle

Term expires 1989

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

David Droz, Chairman

Term expires 1988

Carol B. Roy

Term expires 1987

Joseph S. Romanik

Term expires 1987

James Longtine

Term expires 1989

Robert S. Dupuis

Term expires 1989

**BOARD OF HEALTH**

Frederick J. Lis, Chairman

Term expires 1987

Maurice R. LePage, D.S.C.

Term expires 1988

Rose Tyburski

Term expires 1989

**CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS**

Robert G. Faulkner, Chairman

Term expires 1987

Frederick C. Olson

Term expires 1988

Richard Laviolette

Term expires 1989

**LICENSE COMMISSIONERS**

Lawrence M. Jasak

Leon Wlodyka

Joseph Russell



## PLANNING BOARD

Joseph E. Slowick, Jr., Chairman	Term expires 1988
Joseph Miarecki	Term expires 1987
Rita L. Holuk (Resigned 12/86)	Term expires 1989
Wayne Degon	Term expires 1990
Stephen Masley	Term expires 1991

## PARK COMMISSIONERS, 1 year Michael Burns, Chairman

Dean McKee	David H. Benedetti
Walter A. Pluta	Michael Moynahan

## PALMER HOUSING AUTHORITY

Charles F. Abbate *	August 25, 1989
*State member (appointed)	
Veronica A. Strzeminski	Term expires 1991
William J. Lemanski	Term expires 1987
Rev. Guy Judkins	Term expires 1988
Richard E. Fontaine	Term expires 1989

## PATHFINDER REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE

Michael J. Cavanaugh	Term expires 1987
Dr. Ronald Laviolette	Term expires 1988

## PALMER REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Neil M. McDonald, Chairman	Term expires 1988
Mary C. Krawiec, Vice Chairman	Term expires 1987
Thomas W. Haley	Term expires 1991
Leonard J. Sabourin *	February 12, 1988
Richard Taylor	Term expires 1990

## MODERATOR, 1 Year

Edward Noonan

\* It is with regret that we note the passing of Leonard J. Sabourin

## OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY SELECTMEN

### AMBULANCE STUDY COMMITTEE

Earl Benoit  
Richard P. Bonnayer

Andrew F. Jay, Jr.  
Charles W. Smith

### ANIMAL INSPECTOR

Louis S. Jacek

### BOARD OF APPEALS

Gordon R. Dean	1987
Peter P. Gauthier	1987
Dr. William Riley	1988
Joseph W. Topor, Jr.	1988
Marvin Magoni, Alternate	1988
Mitchell L. Dobek	1989
Dr. Charles Labuz, Alternate	1989

### BUILDING INSPECTOR

Richard Rollet

### ASSISTANT BUILDING INSPECTOR

John L. Worthing

### CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

Harold Olson  
(Resigned 8/87)  
Edward Jasak \*

\* Appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Harold L. Olson.

### ASSISTANT CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTORS

Gus A. Theodore  
Helena Jalbert

### COMPUTERIZATION STUDY COMMITTEE

John Theophane	Keith Parent
John Mailman	Kathleen Stahelski
James Pasquill	Susan Bussell
Christine Miarecki	

### CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Peter Izyk	1987
Donald Duffy	1987
Harry Johnson	1988
Jane Golas	1988
Andrew S. Roman	1989
David E. Johnson	1989
Daniel Coates	1989

### CONSTABLES

Edward S. Jasak	Daniel A. Janulewicz
Henry S. Janasiewicz	Earl A. Benoit
Howard E. Case (Resigned 10/86)	

### COUNCIL ON AGING

Nathan J. Sheldon	1987
Regina Schlesinger	1987
Christine Stockmal	1987

Andrew A. Corbin	1988
Elizabeth S. Kolbusz	1988
Kenneth C. Roberge	1988
Leonard J. Sabourin (Resigned 10/18/86)	1988
Alfred Carlson	1988
Kenneth Supernaw	1989
Frank Zabawa	1989
Rose Tyburski - Home Care Observer	1989

#### **COURT PROSECUTOR**

Charles Ksieniewicz

#### **CUSTODIAN, MEMORIAL HALL**

John Kusha

#### **CUSTODIAN, PALMER TOWN BUILDING**

Roger Laroche

#### **DOG OFFICER**

Roger Brodeur

#### **DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION COMMITTEE**

William Lemanski	Robert G. Faulkner
Neil McDonald	E. Robert Graveline
Edward J. Noonan	James St. Amand
Robert S. Haveles (Resigned 9/86)	Gordon King
Thomas S. Skowrya	Richard C. Taylor

Mark E. Benoit

#### **FENCE VIEWERS**

Oliver A. Beauregard

Jack W. Lynch

Richard Sheehan

#### **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Steven Cormier, Chairman	1988
Elaine Nikodem (Resigned 2/86)	1987
Robert H. Carper (Resigned 12/86)	1987
Matthew Laska	1987
Ferdinand H. Novicki	1987
Edward S. Godek (Resigned 12/86)	1987
James T. Duke	1988
Kenneth Supernaw (Resigned 2/86)	1988
Michael McDonald (Resigned 12/86)	1988
Michael W. Shields (Resigned 10/86)	1988
Constantine Gralinski (Resigned 12/86)	1988
Dennis M. Ryan (Resigned 2/86)	1988
John Vdovjak	1988
Claire Calkins	1989
Bernice Hitchcock	1989

#### **FUTURE NEEDS STUDY COMMITTEE**

John J. Egan	Oliver A. Beauregard
Mary A. Fogarty	David Short
John Martin	Robert Blanchard
Robert Haveles (Resigned 9/86)	Richard Smith
Thomas Haley	Richard Taylor

Neil McDonald

#### **FOREST WARDEN**

Gus A. Theodore

**GROUNDWATER PROTECTION COMMITTEE**

Nicholas A. Zeo, Jr.	James Ammann (Resigned 5/86)
Jane E. Golas	John Sasur
Charles M. Henegar	Howard E. Case (Resigned 10/86)

**HISTORICAL COMMISSION**

Marion Johnson	1987
Monica Graveline	1987
Daniel V. Fogarty, Jr.	1988
Sandra Nichols	1988
Jane E. Golas	1989
Marion P. Lis	1989
Doris S. Nahabedian (Resigned 12/86)	1989

**INSECT PEST CONTROL SUPERINTENDENT**

Richard Kaczmarczyk

**INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCING AUTHORITY**

Theodore N. Bonnayer	1989
Ronald P. Masnicki	1990
Stephanie G. Lesniewski	1991

**INSURANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Carol A. Sugrue	Bonny B. Rathbone
Howard E. Case, Jr.	Terrance C. Korzek

**INSURANCE BROKERS OF RECORD**

Thomas W. Graveline, C.P.C.U., C.I.C.	Joseph A. Kszepka
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**LOCAL ARTS LOTTERY COUNCIL**

Michael R. Bauer	Cecelia A. Nichols
Alphonse E. Murray, Jr.	Sandra J. Noonan (Resigned 7/86)
John E. Stolar	

**LOCAL ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE**

James M. Ammann	David E. Johnson
Howard E. Case	Dr. Maurice LePage
Michael J. Egan	Albin P. Les
Gus A. Theodore	James A. McLaren
Nicholas A. Zeo, Jr.	

**LOWER PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION**

Policy Advisory Representative	Jane E. Golas
Alternate Representative	Robert S. Haveles (Resigned 9/86)
Representative-Joint Transportation Committee	Robert S. Haveles (Resigned 9/86)



**MILK INSPECTOR**

Walter Swiatlowski

**PALMER DEVELOPMENT AND INDUSTRIAL CORPORATION**

Theodore N. Bonnayer  
Gordon H. Christiansen  
Thomas W. Haley  
Linwood F. Thompson

Walter M. Krawiec  
Leo St. Amand  
Alexander W. Tobiasz

**PALMER PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEE**

Mark E. Benoit

**PARK DEPARTMENT SUPERINTENDENT**

Richard Kaczmarczyk

**PARKING CLERK**

Deborah Szostek

**PERSONNEL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Charles F. Corcoran	1987
Ferdinand Novicki	1988
Richard Sheehan	1989
Christine Miarecki	1990
Dennis Ryan	1990

**PLUMBING INSPECTOR**

Eugene Gancarz

**CHIEF OF POLICE (Civil Service)**

Harold L. Olson  
(Retired 9/86)

Howard E. Case, Jr. \*

\* Appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of Harold L. Olson.

**AUXILIARY POLICE**

Mary Lou Geer  
Ronald J. Bigda  
Michael J. Jasak  
Donald J. Frydryk  
Rachel L. Rondeau  
Rodney North  
David Majka  
Jeffrey Lazarick  
Rebecca L. Burger  
Roland Roy

Mary Lee Frydryk  
Richard Kszepka  
Robert W. Laviolette  
David P. Mayberry  
James Haley  
Paul J. Boissy  
Thomas Barone  
Robin Labonte  
Michael Dee  
Cornelius Murphy, Jr.

**PUBLIC WEIGHERS**

Irene A. Raczka  
Michelle Sniffin  
Philip O'Malley

Charles Callahan  
Barbara A. Kerigan  
Ellen Katawicz

Ronald Somers

**RECODIFICATION OF BY-LAWS COMMITTEE**

Richard Smith  
Denise Zawalski  
John Shea  
Michelle Deschaine

Barry Webb (Resigned 7/86)  
Charles M. Pelczarski  
Scott Haley  
Winston Stred

## RECREATION COMMITTEE

James Duke	1987
Charles H. Jasak	1988
Thomas Skowrya	1989
Mary E. Nagle	1990
Marion Kozlik	1990
Martha O'Connor	1991
Edwin J. Rehor	1991
Wayne Cole, Director	

## REGISTRARS

Jacob Toshikian (Retired 8/86)	Permanent
Patricia C. Donovan *	Permanent
Robert R. Canterbury	1987
Sonia L. Thompson	1988
Genevieve G. Janosz	1989

\* Appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of Jacob Toshikian.

## RENT CONTROL BOARD

Margaret St. Amand	1987
Reverend William Webb (Resigned 7/86)	1988
Richard Sheehan *	1988
Denise Bird	1989

\* Appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Rev. Webb.

## SAFETY COMMITTEE

Theresa Coache	Harold L. Olson
Alfred Ziegler	Richard Kaczmarczyk
Peter Wojtowicz (Resigned)	John Gładkowski
Alphonse Murray, Jr.	William Nelligan
Armand Sangermano	Walter Chase

**SANITARY LANDFILL CARETAKER** Walter Wozniakowski

**SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES** Robert Clark

**SELECTMEN, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY** Carol A. Sugrue

**STREETS AND HIGHWAYS, SUPERINTENDENT** Oliver A. Beauregard  
Edward J. Jusko \*

\* Appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Oliver A. Beauregard.

**TOWN ACCOUNTANT** Carol A. Sugrue

**TOWN AUCTIONEER** Franklin A. Gale

**TOWN COUNSEL** Charles Ksieniewicz

**TOWN ENGINEER** Kenneth C. Sherman

## TOWN FIRE ENGINEERS

Gus A. Theodore	Thomas McLaughlin
John Sullivan	

**ASSISTANT TREASURER**

Nancy L. Dranka

**TREE WARDEN**

Oliver A. Beauregard

Edward J. Jusko \*

\* Appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Oliver Beauregard.

**VETERANS' AGENT, BURIAL AGENT, GRAVES OFFICER**

Beverly Morin

**WIRE INSPECTOR**

Stanley J. Pietryka

**ASSISTANT WIRE INSPECTOR**

Francis Rollet

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Growth and progress, once again, were the keywords for our Community this past year. Property values continued to increase dramatically and residential development remained on an upswing. Along with the opportunities and benefits our Town derives from this rapid expansion, the constantly changing pattern of our suburban way of life presents problems and challenges coupled with growing financial burdens. The Board of Selectmen is committed to facing these issues with determination. Our primary objective will be to preserve a way of life we all value and enjoy while encouraging proper growth and a vibrant economy.

Town elections were held on April 22, 1986, and Mr. Theodore M. Kellogg was elected to the vacancy on the Board which was created when Mr. William J. Lemanski decided not to seek re-election. The Board re-organized on May 6, 1986, with Mr. Mark E. Benoit elected as Chairman, Mr. Theodore M. Kellogg as Vice Chairman and Miss Mary A. Fogarty as Clerk.

The highlights of the year are noted below:

### **Taxes:**

The tax rate for Fiscal Year 1986 was set at \$22.00 per thousand. This represented a decrease of .50 from the previous year. The rate for Fiscal Year 1987 has been deferred because of revaluation.

### **Lake Thompson Sewer Project:**

Early in the year, the Board was officially notified that the State formally awarded the Town a Street Sewer Improvement Project Grant which will provide \$586,750.00 in State funds for the construction of sewers and a pumping station in the Lake Thompson area. The total cost of the project will be \$1,456,034 with the Town's share being \$869,284. The project was advertised for bid in September, and contracts awarded on November 4, 1986. The pipeline portion of the project will be installed by J. D. Contracting, Inc. for their bid price of \$850,647. Civitarise Brothers of New Hyde Park, MA. will construct the pumping station for their bid price of \$371,575. After an unavoidable, lengthy delay, it is anticipated that construction of the Lake Thompson Sewage Collection System will begin as early in the Spring of 1987 as possible.

### **Community Development Block Grant:**

Unfortunately, the Town was unsuccessful in obtaining an additional extension for the FY83 and FY84 Community Development Block Grant programs. Palmer's application for an FY86 Massachusetts Small Cities Program Grant was also denied. It is apparent that the CDBG program was beset with problems since its inception. The initial program got off to a slow start. It was not until 1985, that businesses and residents began to take advantage of the low-interest loans provided by grant funds. A sudden change in the administration of the grant, without sufficient time for transition, was also a problem. In spite of this disappointment, the Town did gain valuable benefits from the CDBG program. Several local businesses were successful in obtaining loans for facade improvements. Many homeowners used CDBG funds for weatherization projects, renovations and restorations. Two major industries, Healtec and Massachusetts Central Railroad obtained funding from a Massachusetts Small Cities Program Grant. We wish to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Downtown Revitalization Committee for their efforts with the program.

### **Palmer Industrial Park:**

The Selectmen were very pleased and excited with the progress taking place at the Palmer Industrial Park. After many years of frustrations and disappointments, the light at the end of the tunnel is glowing brightly. Through the diligent efforts and perseverance of the members of the Palmer Redevelopment Authority, our Industrial Park is thriving and is a source of pride for our Community.

### **Computerization:**

It is quite apparent that the business of running Town Government is becoming increasingly more complex each year and the age of automation has finally reached our Community. After discussions with the Computerization Study Committee, the Selectmen voted to advertise for bids for a Town-Wide Turnkey Computer System and to enter into an agreement with the Massachusetts Municipal Association for Consulting



Services to assist the Town in the decision-making process as regards the final selection of the system. Seven major computer companies responded and bids were opened on October 28, 1986. By the end of the year, the Computerization Study Committee reviewed all bids and arranged to have four of the companies conduct demonstrations for Town officials and Department Heads. It is hoped that, by next year, we will be able to report on a successful transition to town-wide automation.

#### **Recodification of By-Laws:**

The long awaited and much needed codification of the By-Laws of the Town of Palmer will finally come to fruition in 1987. Upon the recommendation of the By-Law Recodification Committee, the Selectmen entered into an agreement between the Town and General Code Publishers on July 15, 1986. This contract provides for the codification of the legislation of the Municipality through the specialized processes of research, collection, classification, editing, proofreading, printing, and binding of the legislation. Representatives from General Code Publishers visited the Town Administration Building in October and examined records and pertinent material relative to legislation adopted by the Town from 1950 up until the 1986 Annual Town Meeting. An editorial conference was held on November 12, 1986, at which time the organization of the new Code was explained. The Board of Selectmen is looking forward to having this valuable reference available for use by Town Officials, Department Heads, Town employees and all residents of the Community.

#### **Sanitary Landfill:**

As is the case with many communities throughout the Commonwealth, Palmer is faced with the challenge of finding long-term solutions to the solid waste disposal issue. The Town has experienced serious problems with the operation of its Sanitary Landfill. After going out to bid twice for contractual services, an agreement with a contractor was finally signed in August, 1986.

However, since that time, the machinery used to operate the landfill has consistently been in disrepair resulting in an unsatisfactory level of exposed refuse. An increasing awareness of groundwater contamination has required strict enforcement of regulations concerning allowable refuse. Proper cover material has been difficult to obtain and last but not least, space in the landfill is being used up rapidly. Late last spring, the Selectmen began to study the solid waste issue in earnest. They attended several meetings with neighboring communities to discuss the feasibility of the establishment of a Regional Solid Waste District. They also participated in workshops regarding the various solid waste-to-energy projects being proposed for Western Massachusetts. The Selectmen will continue investigating this issue with an aggressive attitude toward protecting our existing resource and developing long-term, concrete solutions to the solid waste dilemma.

#### **Retirements:**

Long time Selectman, William J. Lemanski, chose not to seek re-election in 1986, deciding it was time to retire from public life and pursue other interests and activities. We wish to take this opportunity to thank Bill Lemanski for the invaluable contributions he made to this office and wish him many years of health and happiness during his justly earned retirement.

Chief of Police, Harold L. Olson, ended his creditable and dedicated career with the Palmer Police Department when he retired from public service on September 6, 1986. Howard E. Case was appointed Acting Chief of Police on September 4, 1986.

Jacob Toshikian, Town Clerk, notified the Board on July 1, 1986, that he would retire from public office on August 31, 1986. We wish to acknowledge Jake's endeavors during his tenure as Town Clerk. Patricia C. Donovan was appointed as Acting Town Clerk on September 4, 1986.

The Board of Selectmen wishes to take this opportunity to express its appreciation to all Town officials, members of committees, employees and citizens who have given their time, energy and support to make Town Government work for our Community.

We cannot end our report without mentioning, sadly, the loss of a dear friend and co-worker. The untimely demise of Oliver A. (Sonny) Beauregard, Highway Superintendent on September 15, 1986, was deeply felt by all who had known and worked with him all the many years he served his Community. He was a loyal and dedicated Town employee, an outstanding citizen and a faithful friend. He will be sorely missed by all.



## REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

The following dog licenses were issued during the year ending December 31, 1986:

Males	240
Neutered Males	237
Females	71
Spayed Females	446
Kennels	21

Paid Treasurer \$5,385.25

The following permits were issued during the year ending December 31, 1986:

Raffle-Bazaar	23	\$ 230.00
(23 @ \$10.00 = \$230.00)		
Gasoline Storage renewals	51	<u>1,686.50</u>

Paid Treasurer 1,916.50

The following Vital Statistics were received for record for the year ending December 31, 1986:

Births	137
Marriages	108
Deaths	163

## VITAL STATISTICS

The attention of parents and others is called to the following vital statistics. It is important that the records be correct. If any errors or omissions are discovered, the Town Clerk will deem it a favor to have the same reported to her at once, and she will make the corrections in accordance with the law. Parents should see that a proper return of birth is made as it may be of great importance in later life.

## BIRTHS — 1986

### DATE NAME OF CHILD

### PARENTS

#### January

1	Judith Marianne Shiley	Christopher W. & Christine S.
5	Sara Louise Johnson	Scott E. & Rachel L.
6	Marc David Bousquet	David C. & Catherine M.
6	Sean Andrew Lemoine	Raymond R. Jr. & Karen L.
12	Emily Elizabeth Ochs	William F. & Gretchen E.
17	Bryan Paul Wojtowicz	Peter J. & Paulette M.
19	Shira Carmel Hoffman	Mark M. & Cheryl L.
21	Lisah Anjalie Bobowicz	Stephen A. P. & Jane P.
27	Kevin John Zawalski	Frank P. & Nancy A.
28	Carl Allen Trant, III	Carl J. Jr. & Kathy A.
29	Megan Allison Lunan	David Eugene & Beverly R.
30	Kelly Ann Goodwill	David D. & Luella M. F.

#### February

4	Crystal Ann Floyd	Allan T. & Dianne M.
11	Robert Wayne Cote Jr.	Robert W. & Shelli
19	Amy Leigh Boyer	Kenneth E. & Joanne M.



TOWN OF PALMER

IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SIX

RESOLUTIONS HONORING WILLIAM J. LEMANSKI FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

WHEREAS, WILLIAM J. LEMANSKI WAS VERY ACTIVE AS A BASEBALL PLAYER AND PLAYED SEMI-PRO BASEBALL WITH THE ST. MARY'S ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION OF BONDSVILLE AND THE YOUNG MEN'S POLISH ASSOCIATION OF THREE RIVERS; AND

WHEREAS, HE IS A LONG-STANDING MEMBER OF THE ST. STANISLAUS POLISH LYCEUM, INC. OF THREE RIVERS AND ST. JOSEPH'S POLISH CLUB OF THORNDIKE; AND

WHEREAS, WILLIAM HAS SERVED IN EVERY OFFICIAL CAPACITY OF THE ST. MARY'S LYCEUM, INC. INCLUDING THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT; AND

WHEREAS, HE SERVED ON THE PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE OF THE BONDSVILLE FIRE AND WATER DISTRICT; AND

WHEREAS, HE HAS BEEN A MEMBER OF THE PALMER HOUSING AUTHORITY FROM 1966 TO THE PRESENT; AND

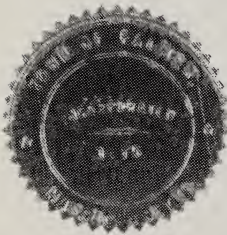
WHEREAS, HE HAS BEEN A MEMBER OF THE MASSACHUSETTS MUNICIPAL SELECTMEN'S ASSOCIATION AND THE HAMPDEN COUNTY SELECTMEN'S ASSOCIATION FOR EIGHTEEN YEARS; AND

WHEREAS, HE HAS BEEN A FAITHFUL AND DEDICATED MEMBER OF THE PALMER BOARD OF SELECTMEN FROM 1968 TO 1986; NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, THAT THE CITIZENS OF THE TOWN OF PALMER HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE THE INVALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY WILLIAM J. LEMANSKI DURING HIS MANY YEARS OF DEVOTED SERVICE TO HIS COMMUNITY; AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, THAT ALL THOSE PRESENT AT THIS TESTIMONIAL AND ALL THE CITIZENS OF THE TOWN OF PALMER EXPRESS THEIR HEARTFELT ADMIRATION AND CONGRATULATIONS TO MR. WILLIAM J. LEMANSKI ON THIS VERY SPECIAL OCCASION.

WE HAVE HEREUNTO SET OUR HAND AND CAUSED THE SEAL OF THE TOWN OF PALMER TO BE AFFIXED THIS SEVENTEENTH DAY OF MAY, 1986



Leo St. Amand  
Leo St. Amand

Thomas W. Haley  
Thomas W. Haley

Donald W. Belisle  
Donald W. Belisle

Gordon H. Christiansen  
Gordon H. Christiansen

James L. St. Amand  
James L. St. Amand

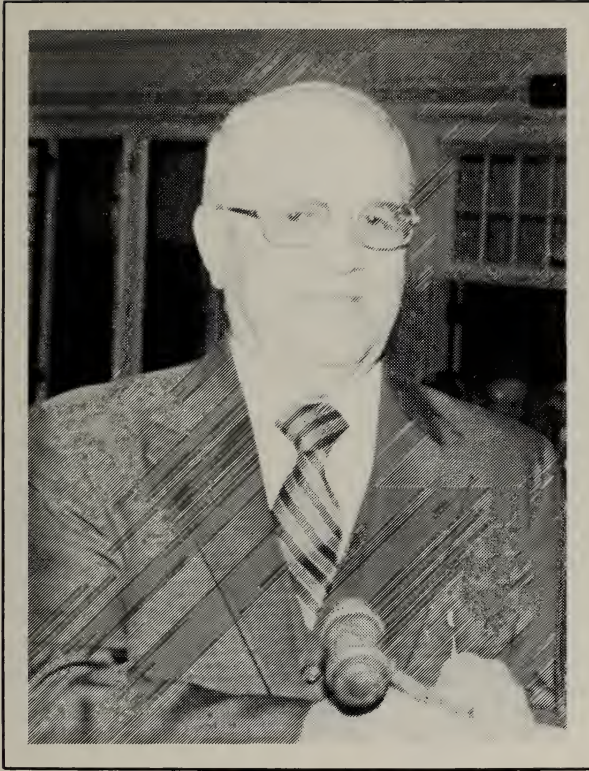
Palmer N. Santucci, Jr.  
Palmer N. Santucci, Jr.

Edward J. Noonan  
Edward J. Noonan

Mark E. Benoit  
Mark E. Benoit

Stephen L. Marhelewicz  
Stephen L. Marhelewicz

Mary A. Fogarty  
Mary A. Fogarty



**WILLIAM J. LEMANSKI**

— The —  
Commonwealth of Massachusetts



Michael S. Dukakis

— Governor —

to  
Jacob "Jake" Toshikian  
for his many years of dedicated service to the  
town of Palmer as an elected official, an educator  
and a true friend to all  
which is deserving of recognition by all the citizens of Massachusetts.

Witness my hand and the Seal of the Commonwealth of  
Massachusetts, this fourth day of October in the year  
of Our Lord 1986

Witness the Great Seal of the Commonwealth



Michael Joseph Conolly  
Secretary of the Commonwealth

Michael S. Dukakis  
governor





**JACOB TOSHIKIAN**

**TOWN CLERK**

April 22, 1980 - August 31st, 1986

TOWN OF PALMER

IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SIX

RESOLUTIONS UPON THE RETIREMENT OF HAROLD L. OLSON

WHEREAS, HAROLD L. OLSON BEGAN HIS CAREER WITH THE PALMER POLICE DEPARTMENT AS AN INTERMITTENT PATROLMAN IN 1958; AND

WHEREAS, HE BECAME A FULL-TIME PATROLMAN IN 1959 AND A SERGEANT IN 1960; AND

WHEREAS, IN 1972 HAROLD WAS CHOSEN TO BE THE ADVISOR AND LIAISON OFFICER TO THE NEWLY FORMED PALMER AUXILIARY POLICE ASSOCIATION; AND

WHEREAS, HE WAS APPOINTED ACTING CHIEF OF POLICE IN 1978 AND PERMANENT CHIEF OF POLICE IN 1979; AND

WHEREAS, DURING HIS TENURE IN THIS POSITION, HE WAS AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS CHIEFS OF POLICE ASSOCIATION AND THE MASSACHUSETTS CHIEFS OF POLICE ASSOCIATION; AND

WHEREAS, HAROLD ALSO PROVIDED A VALUABLE SERVICE TO THE TOWN IN HIS CAPACITY AS CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR; AND

WHEREAS, HE HAS BEEN THE HONORARY CHAIRMAN OF THE ST. JUDES DRIVE, EASTER SEAL DRIVE AND THE JIMMY FUND; AND

WHEREAS, HAROLD WAS AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE ROTARY CLUB AND IS CURRENTLY AN HONORARY MEMBER OF THIS ORGANIZATION; AND

WHEREAS, DURING HIS YEARS AS A MEMBER OF THE PALMER POLICE DEPARTMENT, HE HAS SERVED THE COMMUNITY WITH DEDICATION AND PURPOSE; AND

WHEREAS, ON SEPTEMBER 6, 1986, HAROLD RETIRED FROM HIS POSITION AS CHIEF OF POLICE, THEREBY TERMINATING HIS LONG AND CREDITABLE CAREER AS A PUBLIC SERVANT; NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, THAT THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE CITIZENS OF THE TOWN OF PALMER HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGES THE INVALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY HAROLD L. OLSON DURING HIS MANY YEARS OF DEVOTED PUBLIC SERVICE AND EXTENDS TO HIM ITS BEST WISHES FOR MANY YEARS OF HEALTH AND HAPPINESS DURING HIS JUSTLY EARNED RETIREMENT; AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, THAT ALL THOSE PRESENT AND ALL THE CITIZENS OF THE TOWN OF PALMER EXPRESS THEIR HEARTFELT ADMIRATION AND CONGRATULATIONS TO HAROLD L. OLSON ON THIS VERY HAPPY OCCASION.

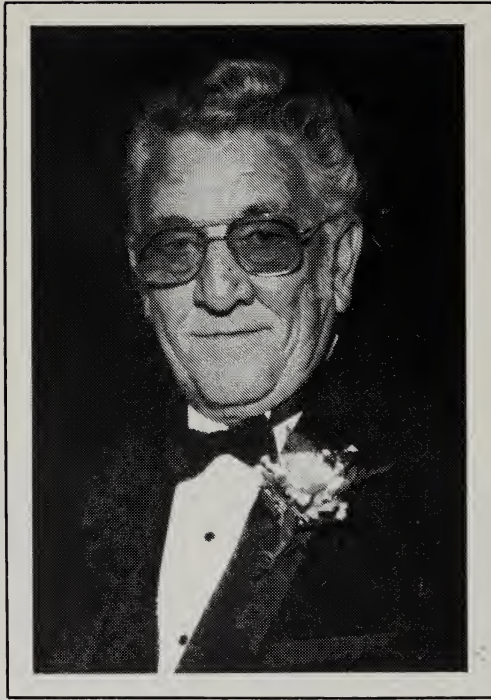
WE HAVE HEREUNTO SET OUR HAND AND CAUSED THE SEAL OF THE TOWN OF PALMER TO BE AFFIXED THIS TWELFTH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1986.



*Paul E. Grier*  
*Mary A. Fegarty*  
*Theodore M. Kellogg*



HAROLD L. OLSON



**OLIVER A. BEAUREGARD**

Highway Superintendent

Born May 15, 1927

Died September 15, 1986

In recognition of his loyal and devoted service to this community



## BIRTHS - 1986

*Continued*

23 Daryl Michelle Lovell  
24 Matthew Robert Frydryk  
25 Ashlee Simone Walker

William K. & Denise M.  
Robert P. & Mary Lee  
Mark A. & Tamara C.

### March

2 Daniel Michael Austin  
7 Stacey Marie Carlow  
15 Christopher Michael Champney  
17 Nicole Shannon Russo  
18 Christopher David Hewinson  
19 Adam Peter DuComb  
23 Bradley Carrigg Nijadlik  
27 Adam Michael Arsenaault  
30 Clifford James Ammann

Mark J. & Mary E.  
Gary A. & Joanne M.  
Michael D. & Lisa A.  
Robert R. R. Jr. & Marcia L.  
David L. & Peggy A.  
David G. & Phyllis D.  
Thomas P. & Nancy M.  
Joseph E. & Arlene M.  
James M. & Marianne C.

### April

3 Jillian Lynn Casey  
3 Jenna Michelle Casey  
7 Kenneth Scott Clark  
8 Shawn Walter Donahue  
8 Christopher Marc Sowa  
9 Geoffrey Keith Gordon  
10 Brian Francis Trzepacz  
12 Douglas David Raymond Jr.  
17 Marc Allen Fauteux  
17 Emily-Ann Louise Herold  
18 Jonathan Andrew Breton  
22 Jillian Elizabeth Boone  
30 Dinalia Marie Potter

Gary J. & Michelle M.  
Gary J. & Michelle M.  
Scott D. & Janisca M.  
William O. & Virginia M.  
Mark T. & Sandra J.  
Keith F. & Jeanette L.  
Francis J. & Mary-Ann  
Douglas D. & Lisa A.  
Alan P. & Sharon M.  
Donald T. & Patricia L.  
Dennis J. & Joanne J.  
Daniel W. & Mary K.  
Michael J. & Valenta A.M.

### May

2 Julie Ann Palmere  
3 Joseph Donald McAdam  
4 Daniel John Koss  
6 Kara Ann Battistoni  
6 Tiffany Christina Marie Webb  
8 Jeremy John Ladue  
9 Evan Frederick Erickson  
10 Russell Theodore Lloyd  
13 Kate Emily Gehlhausen  
14 Vicky Lee Codeira  
15 Joseph David Ferry  
15 Jacqueline Blair Phaneuf  
17 Gerald Clement Murray, Jr.  
18 Clark Royce Zelazo  
24 Karen Marie Skoczylas  
28 Rachel Giulietta Baumgartner DeMatte  
28 Shane Robert Skowrya

John G. & Teena M.  
Bruce D. & Margaret M.  
Kevin & Lisa N.  
Gerald B. & Tina M.  
Barry J. & Donna M.  
Arthur J. & Brenda L.  
Stephen M. & Laurie L.  
Norman J. Sr. & Linda M.  
Jacob M. & CathyAnn M.  
Ricky A. & Lynn M.  
David W. & Margaret  
James R. & Kathryn A.  
Gerald C. & Diane M.  
Thomas J. & Beth A.  
Richard T. & Irene M.  
Roberto & Linda M.  
David A. & Karen S.

### June

4 Christopher Ryan Lemon  
7 David Keith Mitchell  
9 Ian McShane Cotter  
12 Jena Marcelle LeBlanc  
17 Brandon Sean Reim  
23 Jennifer Lynn Glabicky  
24 Katie June Cieniciwa  
26 Melissa Maria Schofield

William F. Jr. & Sharon M.  
William B. & Kathleen E.  
David A. & Jaye A.  
Pierre J. & Mary T.  
David D. & Catherine M.  
Eugene W. & Beverly A.  
Frederick Jr. & Cynthia C.  
Randy E. & Christine M.



27 Kyle Evan Stosz  
 28 Stephen James Villarral  
 29 Alan James Mincy  
 29 Jennifer Rose Simpkins

#### July

5 Sara Ann Zglobicki  
 11 Kayla Elizabeth Haveles  
 17 Jaclyn Alyse Dupuis  
 18 Pamela Marie Sergienko  
 22 Michael Charles Palmere  
 23 Melinda Rose Czaja  
 25 Catherine Nicole Vickers  
 29 Krysten Mae Czech  
 30 Stacey Lynn Golas  
 31 Ian Anderson McIntosh  
 31 Erica Jane Schattgen

#### August

6 Lindsey Marie Coache  
 6 Timothy Michael McMahon  
 8 Jeremy Paul Kindberg  
 9 Jade Balicki  
 9 David Stanley Obrzut  
 15 Paul Vernon Rogers  
 15 Nicholas George Straight  
 18 Richard Allan Kszepka, Jr.  
 27 Peter James McDonald  
 27 Melissa Ann Woffenden  
 29 Earl John Abare  
 29 Frances Elizabeth Abare

#### September

4 Justin Ryan Reynolds  
 5 Christopher Mark Nute  
 5 Justin Scott Surprenant  
 9 Trisha Lynn Gay  
 12 Amber Louise Spink  
 13 Thomas Allen Cole  
 16 Cassandra Marie Brewer  
 22 Toni Marie Gosselin  
 25 Ryan John Leacock  
 26 Kristy Lee Knight  
 29 Nathan Christian Sloat

#### October

4 Tabetha Maria Adams  
 7 Marc Richard Dembkowski  
 10 Christine Rose Day  
 14 Colleen Ann McCarthy  
 16 Ellen Rose Silva  
 17 Robert Hunter Nompoggi  
 18 Todd Paul Kibbe  
 20 Sean Michael Kelley  
 22 Megan Kate Ribeiro  
 27 Sherry Rose Laviolette

#### November

2 David Ralph LaBromboise

Gary E. & Victoria L.  
 Martin I. & Peggy D.  
 Edward E. & Donna M.  
 Robert G. Jr. & Sharon R.

David M. & Elizabeth  
 Robert S. & Pamela A.  
 William E. & Allyson L.  
 Alan J. & Pamela M.  
 Charles M. & Dorothy E.  
 John E. & Charlene A.  
 Gary N. & Susanne  
 Jefferey A. & Sylvia  
 Mark C. & Rosemary  
 David A. & Tammy S.  
 Robert A. & Robin J.

James P. & Susan M.  
 Norman T. & Sarah M.  
 Carl G. & Deborah A.  
 Peter A. & Christine M.  
 Stanley S. & Lorena A.  
 Kenneth B. & Marilyn C.  
 Chad R. & Kristine C.  
 Richard A. & Lisa A.  
 Richard L. Jr. & Deborah A.  
 George Samuel Jr. & Carol E.  
 Chris A. & Diane J.  
 Chris A. & Diane J.

Michael E. & Barbara M.  
 Mark C. & Cheryl F.  
 Edward A. & Karen L.  
 Kenneth L. & Ealine  
 Donald R. & Linda M.  
 Rodney V. & Tammy L.  
 Robert A. & Sandra J.  
 Donald V. Jr. & Debra L.  
 John K. & Patricia A.  
 Ronald A. & Laurie A.  
 Peter C. & Kimberly A.

Nicholas S. & Dariah A.  
 Steven E. & Mary E.  
 Forris B. Jr. & Lisa M.  
 Daniel P. & Noreen C.  
 Anthony J. & Krista M.  
 Robert A. & Gale M.  
 Carl M. III & Anne E.  
 Daniel P. & Ann M.  
 Fernando M. & Cathy H.  
 Albert H. & Deborah R.

David A. & Susan A.

4 Justin Thomas O'Brien  
 6 Kelsey Nicole Bettige  
 6 Kyle Steven Romanski  
 9 Rachel Marie Adams  
 10 Molly Wayland Hislop  
 19 Juli Terese Mancini  
 24 Eric Matthew Champigny  
 24 Crystal Eve Domnarski  
 24 Candice lee Domnarski  
 24 Erin Michelle Korzec  
 24 Thomas Blake Stockman  
 25 Timothy John Shea  
 28 Bryana Marie Bradley

#### December

7 Melissa Marie Stebenne  
 12 Cody James Geaslin  
 17 Natalie Ann Russell  
 19 Craig Armond Dupuis  
 23 Nicholas David Veber  
 26 Stanley Renwick Lamb Jr.  
 27 Melissa Ann St. Martin

James F. Jr. & Karen R.  
 Keith S. & Kathleen C.  
 Steven C. & Karen J.  
 Mark L. & Lynn M.  
 Lyle G. & Elizabeth H.  
 Justin P. & Patricia J.  
 David P. & Elizabeth M.  
 Michael J. & Nicole C.  
 Michael J. & Nicole C.  
 Michael P. & Beverly J.  
 Randall J. & Becky E.  
 Thomas R. & Constance F.  
 Clyde P. & Paula A.

Andre J. & Tina J.  
 James D. & Denise  
 James J. & Karen A.  
 James A. & Karen A.  
 Paul S. & Sharon L.  
 Stanley R. & Genevieve A.  
 Michael P. & Andrea M.

# MARRIAGES — 1986

DATE	GROOM	RESIDENCE	BRIDE	RESIDENCE
<b>January</b>				
18	Mark R. Thibeault	Warren	Justine L. Sawyer	Palmer
<b>February</b>				
8	Thomas E. Beeman	Palmer	Cherryl L. Birchenough	Brimfield
8	Chad R. Straight	Palmer	Kristine C. Lefebvre	Palmer
14	Keith R. Sikes	Springfield	Maureen R. Castledine	Palmer
21	Roy R. Patrie	Palmer	Norma J. Patrie	Palmer
<b>March</b>				
1	Kenneth E. Damon	Palmer	Sandra L. Reep	Palmer
10	Todd P. Carey	Palmer	Mary-Lynne Marcy	Palmer
15	Mitchell A. Bean	Ft. Walton Beach, Fla.	Marie Skowyr	Ft. Walton Beach, Fla.
15	Wendall L. Lasher	Springfield	Doris L. Krzyminski	Brinfield
29	David P. Kelley	Palmer	Kathleen B. Duval	Palmer
29	Michael A. Passy	Palmer	Rosemarie Hawk	Belchertown
<b>April</b>				
3	Jeffrey R. Naglack	Palmer	Rebecca R. Kenyon	Palmer
7	Lawrence C. Fitch II	Springfield	Geraldine R. LePage	Springfield
11	Jeffrey C. Lazarick	Hardwick	Jaimie L. Bray	Hardwick
12	Thomas F. Edgar	Palmer	Karen M. Sekula	Palmer
12	Richard P. Sbardella	Stafford Springs, Ct.	Lynn A. Warren	Palmer
12	Stephen M. Tripp	Palmer	Mary Beth Janosz	Palmer
19	Mark W. DuComb	Monson	Roberta R. Roman	Belchertown
19	Franklin A. Major	Palmer	Sheila A. Hittman	Palmer
25	James P. Rivest	Springfield	Donna M. Skutnik	Palmer
26	Steven D. Litwin	Glastonbury, Ct.	Sandra M. Skaza	Palmer
26	John B. Post	Palmer	Patricia A. Barrette	Palmer
27	Robert J. Renaud	Monson	Lisse M. Artruc	Monson
<b>May</b>				
2	Kenneth W. Staback	Palmer	Nina M. Gates	Palmer
3	Edward W. Francis, Jr.	Palmer	Anna D. Beaudry	Palmer
3	Donzel Patrick Jr.	Palmer	Norma J. Miller	Palmer
9	Brian J. Fontaine	Palmer	Renee M. Coviello	Palmer
9	Michael P. St. Martin	Palmer	Andrea M. Lefebvre	Palmer
17	Edward P. Chapman	Springfield	Delia M. Wood	Holland
17	James E. Daley	Palmer	Susan E. Jeffery	Palmer
17	Philip J. Hebert	Belchertown	Laurie A. Kumpulanian	Palmer
17	Joseph G. Levesque	W. Warren	Ellen T. Bowler	Chicopee
23	William J. Dziedzinski	Palmer	Annmarie Carson	Palmer
24	Dennis J. Coderre	Ware	Alma M. Davis	Ware
31	Gregory P. Cusson	Wales	Debra E. Christiansen	Wales
<b>June</b>				
6	Byron C. Bennett	Elmhurst, N.Y.	Cheryl A. Zelazo	Elmhurst, N.Y.
6	Kevin P. Mayberry	Palmer	Mary J. Pasteris	Palmer
7	Michael F. Barry	Palmer	Barbara A. Bernat	Palmer
7	Francis A. Bolieau	Ware	Tina L. Cunningham	Ware
7	Gary P. Leacock	Palmer	Sandra J. Dembkowski	Palmer
14	Mark L. Adams	Palmer	Lynn M. Dupuis	Palmer
14	Albert J. Boone, Jr.	Ware	Susan E. Barrett	Ware
14	Todd M. Jette	Wales	Susanne C. Dupuis	Wales
14	Jeffrey S. Murphy	Palmer	Cynthia J. Webb	Palmer
14	James E. Pietrowski	Palmer	Sandra L. Oberg	Ware

21	Raymond A. Prevost	Palmer	Carol A. DeiDolori	Palmer
21	Michael J. Rohrbacher	Cincinnati, Ohio	Suzanne M. Hopfe	Palmer
21	Edward W. Sporbert	Palmer	Joan Mathieson	Palmer
27	Eugene L. Cancelliere	Brimfield	Joan M. Raymond	Brimfield
28	David L. Branchaud	Palmer	Tracy A. Norman	Palmer
28	Robert D. Ellithorpe	Palmer	Denise M. Pietrowski	Palmer

## July

4	Ralph R. Judd	Palmer	Beverly A. Reynolds	Palmer
19	Christopher J. Burns	Palmer	Michelle M. Owens	Palmer
19	Alan W. Dunham	Ware	Judy-Ann M. Parker	Ware
19	Bruce E. O'Brien	Wales	Mary K. Maryniski	Palmer
21	Shawn M. McIntyre	Palmer	Johnna L. Fusco	Brimfield
23	Stephen E. Janulewicz	Palmer	Brenda L. Horton	Monson
26	Peter C. Sloat	Ware	Kimberly A. Johnson	Palmer
26	Richard H. Tucker	Palmer	Mildred C. Webber	Palmer

## August

1	Paul E. Erikson	Palmer	Laure A. Calver	Palmer
1	Charles H. Smith	Palmer	Olive D. Duquette	Los Angeles, Ca.
1	Rick J. Turenne	Palmer	Temra L. Jaskoviak	Palmer
15	Gary W. Aiken	Palmer	Janet L. Forney	Palmer
15	Stephen F. Cowden	Palmer	Lynne M. McCloskey	Palmer
16	Marvin R. O'Dell	Monson	Kathleen M. Webb	Monson
16	Romaine G. Tallman	Palmer	Ann Marie Gouvin	Palmer
23	Philip J. Cormier	Palmer	Elizabeth E. Palka	Palmer
24	Alan M. Beauregard	Palmer	Gina M. Baldina	Palmer
29	Allan T. Jurkowski	Palmer	Marjorie A. Mansfield	Palmer
31	Andrew J. Pouloupoulos	Millinocket, Me.	Cheryl A. MacPherson	Millinocket, Me.

## September

6	Stephen E. Golas	Palmer	Nancy R. MacGregor	Palmer
6	Richard P. Poirier	Palmer	Carolyn J. Frydryk	Palmer
6	Michael G. Scarlatelli	Mt. Clemens, Mich.	Elaine F. Maus	Mt. Clemens, Mich.
13	Joseph C. Wall	Framingham	Deborah A. Murphy	Palmer
13	Paul C. Welsh	Palmer	Bebe J. Browne	Palmer
13	John M. Wilson	W. Brookfield	Cindy J. Korb	W. Brookfield
19	Robert C. Hafner	Palmer	Melodie A. Coville	Palmer
20	James W. Bishop	Palmer	Annette S. Poirier	Palmer
20	Robert D. Jones	Springfield	Sheryl A. Handzel	Palmer
20	Gary A. Young	W. Brookfield	Sharon F. Romanski	Palmer
27	Charles F. Adams	Palmer	Ellen M. Minns	Palmer
27	Robert J. Mitchell	Monson	Susan M. Zerdecki	Worcester
27	Marc N. Riel	Indian Orchard	Catherine A. Bowler	Palmer

## October

4	Keith R. Before	Palmer	Ann M. Warner	Palmer
11	Timothy M. Gamache	So. Hadley	Elizabeth A. Camyre	Palmer
11	Kenneth R. Houle	Palmer	Julie A. AMato	Palmer
11	David Lucey	Southampton	Anne M. O'Connor	Palmer
17	Gregory P. Boser	Manchester, Ct.	Debra A. Kusek	Palmer
18	Matthew J. Roberts	Palmer	Diane M. Fournier	Palmer
18	Steven D. White	Palmer	Barbara J. Gilman	Palmer
25	Daniel H. Brown	Windsor, Ct.	Lisa J. Henrich	Windsor, Ct.
25	Ronald E. Houle	Palmer	Lynn A. Koss	Palmer
25	Charles E. Page	W. Springfield	Laurel J. Johnson	Palmer
30	Joseph J. Lazara	Ludlow	Gloria M. Jarrard	Brimfield
31	Rafael A. Sierra	Palmer	Betsy H. Hare	Palmer

**November**

1 John F. Gladkowski	Palmer	Maryellyn C. Ogden	Palmer
7 Dennis M. Moynahan	Palmer	Tonya L. Bliss	Palmer
8 Theodore C. Croft	Palmer	Laurie J. Liapis	Palmer
15 Roy L. Jones III	Phoenix, Ariz.	Nancy Vazquez	Springfield
15 Gregory V. Malchesky	Springfield	Melene M. Whetzel	Palmer
29 Andrew F. Vallone, Jr.	Palmer	Lorrie A. Poulin	Palmer

**December**

6 Eugene A. Fontaine	Palmer	Susan J. Keegan	Palmer
6 Stephen F. Minkley	Palmer	Diane L. Forcier	Palmer
27 James Zissulis	Merrimack, N.H.	Beverly Walters	Palmer
28 Clifford P. LaBier	Palmer	Jean E. Dearborn	Palmer
31 Peter T. Smith	Palmer	Cindy M. Pielowski	Palmer



# DEATHS — 1986

DATE	NAME	AGE
January		
3	Anna C. Karson	68
6	Henry Joseph Witek	61
8	Genevieve Prouty	72
9	Alorius Alberic Fontaine	76
10	Rose C. Grant	79
18	Louis Thomas Picco, Sr.	55
25	Helen Fenton	77
February		
2	Anna Mary Mancini	62
4	Amy Deardon	73
5	Bridget Nellie Pietryka	81
9	Walter Anthony Nietupski	78
18	Anna Baldyga	89
26	Bonheur Norman Couture	43
26	Carl Frederick Preissler	59
March		
7	Jessie Frances Fountaine	63
9	Lawrence Larry Wallace	65
11	Levi Cole	76
12	Irving Wendell Harlow	83
12	Ruth Murphy	72
15	Jennie Elizabeth Morris	71
19	Joseph F. Brodeur	80
25	William Ernest Holt	70
29	Frederick Jude Sears	22
April		
1	Sadie Eugenia McCaughey	82
4	Irene F. Whelen	96
10	Joseph Frank Skaza	67
11	John Savich	93
16	William H. Donahue	87
16	Patricia M. Lessard	56
19	Johnny Lee Foster	36
22	Marguerite Eaton Lemon	67
22	Sophie Leah Piper	101
23	Aldona Louise Potvin	83
26	Mary Sophie Muniec	88
27	Frank Dembkowski	65
May		
1	Marion Lunden	83
2	Katarzyna Victoria Wilczek	92
4	Thomas E. O'Connor	69
8	Roland Allen Arbour	70
11	Arlene D. Moss	70
12	Wallace Joseph Richard	59
14	Jennie Estella Phelps	91
16	Merrill Edward Collins	74
18	Virginia Dorothy Kopacz	54
21	Francis W. Sullivan	77
21	Michael Joseph Tetreault	24

	23	Robert Gino Riccetti	73
	23	William Taylor, Jr.	64
	25	Gerard Denis Lecours	59
	31	George W. Robbins	69
<b>June</b>			
	5	Frank Cleveland Nickerson	74
	11	Nicolo Joseph DiFalco	70
	11	Edythe Owen	67
	13	Monica Bertha Rogowski	66
	18	Jeremiah M. Cavanaugh	84
	21	Madeliene Geneva Calderwood	64
	21	George Rebello	77
	23	Hermine Ziegengeist	101
	25	Kenneth Edward Bell, Sr.	77
	25	Selma Riskalla	55
	27	Lawrence John Majka	90
	27	Kevin Paul Woodman	18
	30	Molly Elizabeth Picco	81
<b>July</b>			
	1	Mary C. Sullivan	78
	2	Stanley Michael Wilczek	92
	4	Edna E. Hallez	91
	5	Robert Neil Caron	39
	8	Edith Donohue	83
	8	Joseph Walter Topor	73
	12	John Francis McCormick	63
	14	Dorothy M. Belisle	65
	19	Alexander Stanley Piechota	58
	20	Valdimar G. Melen	86
	21	James Benedict Yelle	85
	21	Louis Zglobicki	55
	26	Germaine M. Raymond	79
	30	Marion Louise Allen	87
	30	Charles Franklin Sherman	95
	31	John Joseph Janulewicz	58
<b>August</b>			
	2	Joseph James Davis	75
	2	Eileen M. Lynch	85
	3	Shirley May Webb	59
	8	Richard Daniel Chrapek	61
	11	Helen Anair	70
	13	Joseph Dziedzic	65
	13	Doris Marie St. John	69
	22	Roman Michael Orszulak	68
	23	Robert Alfred LaCombe Jr.	29
	25	Christina Marie Coleman	2 mo. 2 da.
	26	Adolph Walter Gryszowka	65
	27	Lawrence Mitchell Miceli	77
	28	Gabriel Mactessy Garabedian	86
	29	Arthur F. Bechard	78
	30	Earl John Abare	4 hrs. 18 min.
	30	Frances Elizabeth Abare	4 hrs. 18 min.
	31	Stanley Frank Galas	73
<b>September</b>			
	3	Clarabelle M. Walker	75

4	Kenneth Joseph LaBarge	76
5	Kenneth Arnold Rivers	52
15	Oliver Armand Beauregard	59
20	Eric Von Arensman	35
20	Bernard Robert Cantwell, Jr.	51
21	Bronisława Wrzesien	91
23	Stephanie S. Koczur	86
28	Roxann Dunn	83
28	Robert William Templeman	65
29	Francis Owen Bready	78
29	Mary A. O'Connor	88
29	Clayton Edward Price	72
30	Carver Supples	45
<b>October</b>		
2	Rita Marie Wegiel	68
4	Keith Billow	30
9	George D. Valerio	83
12	Victor Kenneth Stevens	76
14	Francis J. Sullivan	61
15	Mieczyslaw A.K.A. Max Toton	75
18	Michelle E. Morin	5
26	Mary Lucina Hunt	83
30	Ernest Robert Lemoine	72
<b>November</b>		
2	Welhelmine Harris	69
2	John Christopher O'Connor	60
2	Walter Augusta Shaw, Jr.	63
4	Emma Louise Blake	90
4	Kostandina Nicholas	93
7	Ellen Agnes Landers	87
8	Donald William Lang	57
17	Leonard J. Sabourin	71
18	Albina Maria Christman	92
18	Rudolph John Kroll	91
19	Thelma Marie Clark	19
22	Hulda Lofstedt	92
23	Elwyn Davis Tanski	59
24	Bertha Augusta Lapierre	89
26	Elizabeth Belle Miller	94
26	Dorothy May Piepho	60
27	Stanley Andrew Karczmarczyk	67
28	Lionel S. Gomes	79
29	William P. VanWettering	72
<b>December</b>		
1	Daniel Francis Gash Sr.	79
1	Carolina Pauline Wegrzyn	94
4	Mary Cecelia Jasak	83
4	Lorraine B. Watson	65
5	Stanley J. Gula	47
7	Karolina Fortuna	86
7	Eleanor Bridget Young	68
8	Lucille Bertha Mary Dyke	69
10	William Augustus Henrich, Jr.	63
10	Victoria Lynch	70
11	Francis James Gleason, Sr.	73
12	Melvin Emile Goyette	26

15	Robert Romaine Chapman	57
18	Frank Saverio Mancuso, Sr.	73
23	John Edmund Kollasch	97
23	Doris Marie Louise Theroux	62
24	Henry Emile Tremblay	57

## REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

In the year ending December 31, 1986 there were many changes in the Palmer Police Department.

On September 6, 1986 Chief Harold L. Olson retired after more than twenty-seven dedicated years as a Police Officer, Sergeant and Chief of Police of the Palmer Police Department.

Howard E. Case was promoted from Sergeant to Provisional Chief until a permanent chief is appointed. Officer John Janulewicz was promoted to Provisional Sergeant.

James J. Lynch III and Kenneth White were appointed full time officers and will complete the basic training academy on January 23, 1987.

David P. Mayberry and Robert Laviolette were appointed Permanent Intermittent Officers in March 1986.

In November 1986 Donald Frydryk, Thomas Barone, Rodney North, James Haley and Rachael Rondeau were appointed Provisional Intermittent Officers.

On behalf of Chief Olson and myself I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen, the Finance Committee, and the Citizens of Palmer for their support and cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Howard E. Case

### JANUARY 1, 1986 thru DECEMBER 31, 1986

#### CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS

Assault & Battery . . . . .	1
Assault with Dangerous Weapon . . . . .	8
Assault on Police Officer . . . . .	3
Rape . . . . .	2

#### CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY

B & E and Larceny . . . . .	6
Armed Robbery . . . . .	3
Larceny Motor Vehicle . . . . .	3
Malicious Destruction of Property . . . . .	15
Trespassing . . . . .	11
Shoplifting . . . . .	27
Littering . . . . .	1

#### CRIMES AGAINST PUBLIC ORDER

Liquor Laws . . . . .	14
Public Drinking . . . . .	8
Driving Under Influence . . . . .	83
Operating To Endanger . . . . .	22
Illegal Fireworks . . . . .	2
Disorderly . . . . .	14
Illegal Firearms . . . . .	5
Disturbing the Peace . . . . .	5
Motor Vehicles Laws . . . . .	1413
Drugs . . . . .	34
Others . . . . .	13

**TOTAL COMPLAINTS . . . . . 1692**

**JUVENILE . . . . . 6**



MALE .....	888
FEMALE .....	242
RESIDENTS .....	480
NON-RESIDENTS .....	650

**Total amount of revenue for 1986:**

FINES .....	\$37,377.00
FID CARDS .....	276.00
PISTOL PERMITS .....	1,170.00
PHOTOS .....	261.00
INSURANCE REPORTS .....	2,144.22
MISCELLANEOUS .....	427.75
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TOTAL .....	\$41,655.97

**MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS**

There were 633 accidents investigated by the Palmer Police Department.

There were 105 persons injured.

There were 3 fatalities.

**REPORT OF THE PALMER AUXILIARY POLICE ASSOCIATION**

As President of the Palmer Auxiliary Police Association, I would like to say "Thank You!" to the Board of Selectmen, to Chief Harold Olson (retired) and to Acting Chief Howard Case for their past and continuing support.

The Palmer Auxiliary Police Association currently list eighteen members, five of whom were appointed in fiscal year 1986. In addition, two of our members were recently appointed to 'permanent intermittent' status, and five others hold 'provisional' status.

The membership extends its collective and heartfelt thanks to Mr. Roland J. Roy, who retired after fifteen years of dedicated service.

Our membership is privileged to have the opportunity of attending the Western Mass. Criminal Justice Training Academy. To those who have made this possible we express our deep appreciation. Many thanks go also to the Regular Members of the Palmer Police Department for their support, devotion and giving of time and expertise in law enforcement.

Thanks are due, as well, to the citizens of Palmer for their past and continuing cooperation. Lastly, a "Thank you!" to the members who make the Palmer Auxiliary Police Association what it is today.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lee Frydryk

**REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN**

Honorable Board of Selectmen  
Town of Palmer

Members of the Board:

During the past year 3 oaks, 1 ash and 12 maples were removed due to old age, decay or a danger to public safety. Normal maintenance of deadwood removal and low limb clearance was also carried out. Roadside brush cutting was also done.

During the past year 10 diseased elm trees were removed in accordance with the Department of Natural Resources, 26 tree stumps were also removed in all precincts.

The Forestry Department wishes to express its thanks to the Massachusetts Electric Company and the New England Telephone Company for their help and cooperation in the removal of trees and assistance in the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward M. Jusko  
Tree Warden

## REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

This has been a year of change for the Planning Board. As many of you are well aware, our able assistant for the past six years, Mrs. Patricia Donovan, was appointed as Town Clerk in the middle of the summer. Patty helped us out until a new assistant was chosen from several applicants. Mrs. Camie Nichols is now assisting the Board as our new secretary as well as serving for the Appeals Board and the Building Department. Camie has come to us with secretarial experience in real estate and is demonstrating a high quality of service to the Board in her secretarial duties as well as her contacts with our legal advisors and the general public.

The Board accepted the resignation of Mrs. Rita Holuk with regret this past December. Mrs. Holuk served on the Board for the past three years and gave many hours of her time and energy away from her growing family to the future of the Town of Palmer.

Our newest member, Mr. Michael Marciniak, was appointed in January to replace Mrs. Holuk until the April elections. Michael is a teacher in the Palmer School System. He indicates both a broad interest and a strong educational background in planning and development which promises to be an asset to this interim position.

The general activities of the Planning Board have met with some degree of success through the past year. Our zoning by-laws have been strengthened in regards to special permits by the adopting of conditions. We have changed the wording regarding gravel removal not requiring a special permit to protect against misunderstandings with the intent of the law. Also our zoning by-laws no longer allow new construction of two family dwellings in Agricultural/Low Density Residential as a matter of right. The above changes to the zoning by-laws have all met with the approval of the Attorney General.

The greatest portion of our business throughout the past year has been with special permit public hearings and the approval of subdivision not required plans. We have been averaging four or more public hearings at each of our meetings. These hearings have covered everything from gravel removal special permits and zone changes along North Main Street and Route 20 to that concerning the relocation of Big Y across from Ames. A good show of public interest at these hearings has been demonstrated and assisted the Board in making its recommendations.

The Board has recommended that the Townspeople adopt the Water Supply Protection District to be added to our zoning by-laws, and changes to our present dimensional lot sizes have been recommended. We are greatly concerned over density with regards to large houses, swimming pools, garages, tool sheds, and vehicle parking problems on small building lots as well as to the protection of our ground water supplies in areas not serviced by town water or sewer.

It might also be of interest to note that members of the Board are looking to further their education in Municipal Law through courses offered at neighboring community colleges. The chairman has been serving as Area Director for the Mass. Federation of Planning and Appeals Boards for the past three years. Our affiliation with the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission will also continue as in past years. Through these active efforts of members of this Board, the latest updates in legal, zoning, and planning concerns at both state and local level have been and will continue to be a part of our decision making process.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Slowick, Jr.  
Steven Masley, Jr.  
Wayne Degon  
Joseph Miarecki  
Michael Marciniak

## REPORT OF THE MILK INSPECTOR

To the Board of Health and the Citizens of Palmer, Mass.

I respectfully submit my report on the following licenses issued for the year 1986:

45 Milk Store Licenses @ \$1.00 .....	\$45.00
	<hr/> \$45.00

Respectfully submitted,

Walter J. Swiatlowski  
Milk Inspector

## REPORT OF THE PARK COMMISSION

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen,

We, the Board of Park Commissioners hereby submit our annual report for the year 1986.

During the past year the Park Department was once again involved in improvement projects. One such project was the remodeling of the restrooms located at Eager Playground. This building was constructed in 1939 and has been used as a storage and restroom and was in dire need of repair. The scope of work was extensive and included replacement of plumbing and fixtures, enlarging the room size as well as wiring, lighting, and painting. This project was completed in May with a large amount of the work being done by Park personnel which helped to reduce cost.

Also, another portion of this project was the construction of a two inch water main to supply the buildings at Eager and Legion Fields. The road to Legion and Eager Fields were also widened and resurfaced as part of the overall project.

The water line at New Burleigh Park which was installed the previous fall was connected to the existing system and is now being supplied by the Thorndike water system.

Vandalism was by far the most frustrating problem faced this year. Beginning in early spring with the discovery of thousands of dollars of damages to the buildings at New Burleigh Park and continued through the year. Aside from the damage at New Burleigh other acts of vandalism were paint being thrown on buildings, playground equipment was stolen from the mini-park in Thorndike and picnic tables were also damaged and stolen. The parks were also the target for littering. During the summer everything from household trash to junk cars and appliances were scattered about the parks. These acts of vandalism and littering were costly and time consuming and were by far the worst experienced in recent years and we hope that next year will show a reduction in both areas.

In July the department acquired two pieces of equipment. First a new Toro Ground-master mower was purchased at a bid price of \$7,985.00 from Turf Products Co. Next, a used pickup truck was transferred from the Waste Water Treatment Plant.

During the last part of August the department was saddened and stunned by the sudden passing of one of its long-time employees. Mr. John Janulewicz, a thirteen-year employee passed away August 31. John started on the department as a C.E.T.A. worker and was later hired as a full time employee. John was a tremendous asset to the department and will always be remembered. Also another loss and tragedy not only to the park but the entire town was the passing of Highway Superintendent Oliver Beauregard. Oliver was always there to lend a hand when called upon and it was with his help that many projects were accomplished.

During the fall the hardball diamond at Legion Field was given a complete overhaul. Work included replacement of sod around edges and baselines as well as the addition of clay and regrading of the infield area.

As in the past two years during the winter months along with snow removal and ice rink flooding a preventive maintenance and equipment rebuilding program has been



underway. Last year as a result of a sound maintenance and rebuilding of equipment break down time was held to a minimum.

In closing, the Superintendent, Staff and Park Commissioners would like to thank all other department heads and employees for their help to the Park Department during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Dean McKee  
Walter Pluta  
Michael Burns  
David Benedetti  
Michael Moynahan  
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

### **REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN**

Honorable Board:

I herewith submit my report as Forest Fire Warden of the Town of Palmer for the year 1986.

This department responded to a total of 30 calls during the year.

7 for the forest and brush fires in the Palmer Fire District

21 for the forest and brush fires out of the Palmer Fire District

2 for mutual aid

At this time I would like to thank all the neighboring fire departments for their assistance during the year.

I would also like to thank the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Palmer Police Department for their cooperation and assistance received during the year.

Sincerely,

Gus A. Theodore  
Forest Fire Warden  
Town of Palmer

### **REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER**

To The Board of Selectmen

During the year from January 1, 1986 through December 31, 1986, a total of 217 dogs were picked up by me.

127 were destroyed by the Palmer Animal Clinic

40 were returned to their owners

21 were hit by automobiles

29 were sold for \$5.00 each

Yours truly,

Roger A. Brodeur  
Palmer Dog Officer



## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS

The following is a summary of the licenses issued for the year 1986:

ALL ALCOHOLIC LICENSES	ANNUAL	SEASONAL
Inn Holders	3	0
Clubs	5	1
Retail Package Store	4	0
Druggist	1	0
Restaurant	13	1
WINE & MALT BEVERAGES		
Retail Package Store	3	0
Restaurant	3	0
COMMON VICTUALERS	60	

The License Commissioners collected fees amounting to \$15,255 for the 1986 fiscal year. These fees are turned over to the Treasurer for deposit into the General Fund of the Town of Palmer.

Leon Wlodyka, Chairman  
Lawrence Jasak, Vice Chairman  
Joseph W. Russell, Clerk

## REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR

The following is a summary of my activities for the year 1986. Permits were approved, specifications reviewed, and construction monitored for:

New Single Family Dwellings	50
New Two Family Dwellings	16
New Multi Family Dwellings	1 (18 apartments)
New Commercial Buildings	9
New Industrial Buildings	2
Renovation of Existing Structures into Multi Family Dwellings	9 (17 additional apartments)
Renovation of Commercial Buildings	17
Renovation of Residential Buildings	26
Additions to Commercial Buildings	4
Additions to Residential Buildings	26
Garages	11
Pools	12
Signs	11
Demolition	3
Other	16

Respectfully submitted,

Richard W. Rollet  
Building Inspector/  
Zoning Enforcement Officer

## REPORT OF THE GAS INSPECTOR

As Gas Inspector for the Town of Palmer, I am responsible for the inspection, testing, and issuing of permits in accordance with the codes and regulations of the Massachusetts General Laws. In this capacity about twenty inspections were made and permits issued.

The second phase of work done by this department includes investigating complaints of old and potentially dangerous gas fitting installations, violations of the law, and hazardous and defective material.

I would like to thank all the personnel involved with the Building Department for their cooperation during the year.

Gary Stahelski  
Gas Inspector  
Town of Palmer

## **REPORT OF THE PALMER HOUSING AUTHORITY 1986**

This state funded Authority for the low income elderly held regular meetings on the third Monday evening of each month for the year 1986. Area conferences and training sessions were attended by the Executive Director and some of the members of the Board. The Annual Meeting was held in April.

All forty eight units were occupied for the year. Three tenants moved into nursing homes, and their apartments were quickly filled.

All necessary repairs were made for the upkeep and appearance of the buildings and grounds. The front hallways of all apartment buildings were painted, and also the outside trim on two of the buildings. All apartment doors were weatherstripped. Purchases included a Tucker Hi-Window Washer, and a bookcase for the Community Room.

Modernization grants of \$120,000.00 were awarded to this Authority in 1986. A portion of these funds was used to replace the sixteen year old refrigerators in all apartments. The balance is designated for new roofing on all buildings, site work, energy conservation, and minor remodeling of the Community Building.

This Authority continues to be among those in the Commonwealth that is known for efficient operation.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Guy M. Judkins, Chairman  
Veronica Strzeminski, Vice Chairman  
Richard E. Fontaine, Treasurer  
Charles F. Abbate, Sr., State Appointee  
and Assistant Treasurer  
William J. Lemanski, Commissioner

## **PALMER PUBLIC LIBRARY FINANCIAL REPORT July 1, 1985-June 30, 1986**

### **RECEIPTS**

Balance July 1, 1985	\$	.27	
Town Appropriation		176,262.00	
State Aid		5,694.50	
Trust Income		6,400.00	
Lost or damaged books, Donations		5,313.17	
Bank Interest		<u>512.07</u>	
Total Receipts			\$194,182.01

### **EXPENDITURES**

Salaries	113,807.74
Books, Magazines, Records, VC	35,223.13
Supplies	3,077.08
Bookmobile	<u>1,003.41</u>

Operations	36,587.07	
Equipment	<u>4,480.14</u>	
Total Expenditures		<u>194,178.57</u>
Cash Balance June 30, 1986		3.44

# **PALMER PUBLIC LIBRARY ANNUAL REPORT 1985 - 1986**

During the past year, the Palmer Public Library has undertaken many new activities and programs, has purchased necessary new equipment, and has completed a major portion of its automation project. The library has maintained its traditional services such as individual reference service, library instruction for elementary school children, reserve and interlibrary loan services for people looking for specific books or other materials, and direct bookmobile service for the elderly, the homebound, elementary school children, and people in the villages. The materials collection has continued to grow, due to good town funding and also to generous donations to memorial funds as well as directly to the library. High circulation items such as bestsellers and videocassettes are constantly being purchased, as well as long-term reference investments such as encyclopedias, directories, almanacs, and business guides. The sixty-volume set of the Library of America was acquired through a \$500.00 grant from Sanderson-MacLeod matched by a \$500.00 Mellon Foundation grant. The Library of America includes classic American authors such as Twain, Hawthorne, and Thoreau. It is superbly printed and bound and should give pleasure for many years.

The community room is heavily used by the library for its own programs such as arts and crafts, as well as by groups for meetings, workshops, and fundraisers. By making possible a space for the Palmer Merchants' Christmas Party, the Golden Agers' Bazaar, the Historical Society's Christmas Festival, the library provides a needed community service. By making available its community room to groups such as the Division of Employment Security for meetings for unemployed people, to Valley Human Services for parent-child crafts classes, to the Hampden County Extension for workshops on topics such as family discipline and retirement planning, to the Visiting Nurses for training classes, to a local individual for sign language classes, the community room is used to the benefit of the townspeople.

The library has promoted many new activities this past year for both children and adults. In addition to the three and four-year-old story hours and afterschool arts and crafts programs, the library offered a three-program summer puppetry series, attended by about 400 parents and children at each show. The summer reading program was very popular, as was a "Make Your Own Button" project which 68 children enjoyed during the Children's Book Week in November. Another new workshop was a film animation workshop for 6, 7 and 8th graders, in which they created an animated film by drawing on 16 mm film. These special programs were funded by arts lottery grants, while a special program for adults, a reading discussion series, was supported in part by a National Endowment for the Humanities grant. The reading discussion series, which focused on the topic of "Working", consisted of five programs on these books: **Growing Up, Death Of A Salesman, The Professor's House, Working, and Confessions Of An Advertising Man.** Over 20 enthusiastic participants attended each program, hearing a scholar speak on the book, and then discussing it themselves. Palmer was one of 10 Massachusetts libraries receiving this grant. All these activities have increased use of the library, with a corresponding increase in circulation, especially in the number of children's and nonbook materials borrowed.

The library has tried to maintain its physical appearance through regular painting, cleaning, repairs, and plantings. This past year some needed equipment was also purchased, such as a typewriter with catalog card duplication capability, and a new microfilm reader-printer with a magnifier. The reader-printer makes it easier for readers of the old Palmer Journals to do their research, as well as to make copies of articles.

This year has been a crucial one for automation, with great effort expended to enter the majority of the book collection into the C/W MARS database. By February 1986,

24,759 books had been entered into the database. By this October 1986, 43,283 books are in the database at Paxton, along with holdings from 39 other libraries in the system. C/S MARS has emerged as the major computer network and resource-sharing system for public libraries and smaller academic libraries in Western and Central Massachusetts.

Patron entry into the database began in February 1986 with the majority of regular patrons now re-registered and possessing their new C/W MARS library cards. In March 1986 the entire staff participated in automated circulation training, with a month of practice following. Full conversion, complete linking of a Palmer book with one in the Library of Congress database with individual information such as a specific OCR label number added, was complete for the Palmer book collection by Spring. Temporary conversion of unmatched items such as paperbacks, records, and videocassettes was begun at that time and is an ongoing process.

On April 28, 1986, the Palmer Public Library started circulation on the automated system. The benefits of the automated system include: faster discharging of returned books; computer-generated fines and billing notices; on-line registration of new patrons; system blocking of patrons with overdues; and an inquiry capability to "search" for a book at other locations if Palmer itself doesn't own it. The work is ongoing, as with most computer systems, and new software is still being developed, including programs for bookmobile and interlibrary loan. The library is now receiving computer-generated statistical reports on inventory and circulation. These reports will be useful so that we can pinpoint who our borrowers are, and what materials they want. In a broad sense, the automated system's ultimate goal is the same one this library has always had — to provide its patrons with the materials they want, and to help the staff plan services and programs that will inform and enrich the people of Palmer.

Respectfully submitted,

Olga Holmberg  
Director

#### **PALMER PUBLIC LIBRARY** **Fiscal Year 1985-1986 Circulation Statistics**

The total circulation of library materials for fiscal year 1985-1986 was 137,334; this represents an increase of 9,071 over the previous year. The non-book portion of this circulation accounted for 44,405 items. Among non-book materials, the circulation statistics were as follows:

Adults and children read 11,133 periodicals.

Children watched 1,942 filmstrip kits.

Children borrowed puppets, games, and toys 1,437 times.

Both adults and children borrowed 5,021 records and cassettes.

Videocassettes were borrowed by library patrons 8,027 times, an increase of 5,141 over last year.

Library users read 16,472 paperbacks this past year.

Interlibrary loan requests were processed for 327 materials, of these 208 were films lent to community groups.

Library staff reserved 310 books for library users.

The total book circulation for fiscal year 1985-1986 was 89,706 or 67% of the total circulation; non-book circulation was 44,405 or 33% of the total circulation.



## REPORT OF PALMER HISTORICAL COMMISSION

The time consuming inventory of historically significant buildings throughout the town has progressed very well this past year thanks to the diligent research done by Sandra Nichols. The inventory of Depot Village and Bondsville have been completed and sent to Boston. The inventory of Thorndike has been researched and photographed. It is presently being typed for submission. Three Rivers is over 50% complete and hopefully will be finished during the coming year.

There have been several interesting articles donated by some of the townspeople this year. Among these are: an early manuscript from Mr. Richard Taylor, several interesting artifacts from an early attorney's office from Mr. Harold Olson and a cow bell Circa 1870 from Mr. Mark Hartley. Jane Golas has refinished the frames of some very early pictures of the Bondsville Mill complex, which had been given by Mr. Olson, and these are presently on display in the Selectmen's meeting room at the Town Administration Building.

The Commission also purchased several books this past year and among these are the following: A four volume set "The Story of Western Massachusetts", "Inside guide to Springfield & the Pioneer Valley", and "The Ballad of Daniel Shays". All these books have interesting references to Palmer.

Our most drastic and pressing need, at the present time, is space for our constantly growing inventory of books and artifacts. It is imperative that adequate room be acquired for a historical research library, along with ample display area.

The railroad station in Depot Village has been submitted to the National Register of Historic Places. Its status is in doubt since the removal of a portion of the passenger canopy, by Con-Rail this past year, has materially altered the structure.

Again we are asking anyone who has old photos or artifacts which they would like to donate to the Commission, to contact any member.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Golas, Chairman  
Sandra Nichols  
Marion Lis  
Daniel Fogarty  
Marion Johnson  
Monica Graveline  
Doris Nahabedian

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Conservation Commission has had a very busy year in 1986.

Our meetings have doubled each month in numbers and complexity. Public Hearings for "Notices of Intent" have also increased dramatically requiring an on-site inspection by the board members. The initial inspection is followed up by as many more inspections as is necessary until the project is completed.

Because of the increased complexities in today's world, the Commission members have made every effort to improve their expertise and knowledge by attending regional workshops and meetings sponsored by the Massachusetts Association Conservation Commission.

The Commission has designed and implemented forms which provide: documented information of any on-site inspection; inter-office communication with other interested Boards — and a pamphlet which will accompany all new proposed building and/or activity within 100 feet of any wetland area.

After two years of preparation, "The Mountain Road-Conservation Project" was presented at Town Meeting and approval was granted to pursue the legal implementation of same.



The Conservation Commission would like to thank all Town Boards for their continued help and cooperation this past year and is looking forward to the same amicable cooperation in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

Harry Johnson, Chairman  
Peter Izyk, Vice Chairman  
Jane Golas, Secretary  
Donald Duffy  
David Johnson  
Daniel Coates  
Andrew Roman  
Anita Nacsin, Associate Member

### **REPORT OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS**

The Board of Appeals received 27 applications for variances from dimensional lot requirements of the Town of Palmer By-Laws in 1986.

The great number of variances reflects how the Town of Palmer is growing and the need to create additional living space.

Joseph W. Topor, Jr., Chairman  
Mitchell Dobek  
Dr. William Riley  
Gordon R. Dean  
Dr. Charles Labuz  
Peter P. Gauthier  
Marvin Magoni

### **ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PALMER WATER POLLUTION CONTROL FACILITIES**

The Palmer Water Pollution Control Facilities has encountered a great deal of growth during 1986. Much construction has taken place during this time, not only residential but commercial and industrial as well. All this development around the town affects our department direction because added flows bring added revenues which in turn helps to keep costs of operation and maintenance at a minimum.

The development of an Industrial Pretreatment Program is very near completion, with final approval in the hands of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. This program which will be funded directly by the industries involved will help in the pretreatment of hazardous materials and toxic wastes before they are discharged to this facility. These wastes which leave the industries following pretreatment must meet local, state and federal standards, thus protecting the treatment facilities and above all the receiving streams.

As in the past, at the present time, this department continues to maintain a high quality effluent, well within the permits required by the Department of Environmental Quality Engineering and the Environmental Protection Agency. The Palmer Water Pollution Control Facilities will make every effort to continue the quality of service it has brought in the past with a priority on quality and cost effectiveness.

Respectfully submitted,

John Gladkowski, Chief Operator  
Palmer Water Pollution Control Facilities

## ANNUAL REPORT OF COUNCIL ON AGING

As of December 31, 1986, there are 2,810 Senior Citizens in Palmer, 60 years of age and older. Of this number 1,124 are members of the Palmer Senior Citizens Club Inc., Palmer Senior Center.

**GRANT FUNDING** \$614.00 was acquired from the Palmer Arts Lottery Council to maintain an acrylic painting class at the Palmer Senior Center. \$400.00 was acquired from the Palmer Arts Lottery Council for a theater performance by the Boston Theater Group. (The Long Light, Voice of Aging) This performance was held at the Palmer Senior Center.

### OUR PRESENT PROGRAMS AT THE SENIOR CENTER ARE:

**TRANSPORTATION:** The Palmer Senior Center van logged 15,892 miles, carrying 2,366 passengers during 1986. We made 4,543 trips. 407 were medical, 28 were nutrition, 450 were shopping, 322 were employment, 1,147 were personal, and 2,097 were home trips. 2,204 were elderly ambulatory, 269 were non-elderly handicapped. The operating expenses were \$2,562.57 for gas, oil and repairs. Monies received by rider donations were \$2,423.47. The Palmer Senior Citizens Club Inc. contributed the difference of \$139.10.

**NUTRITION:** Five days a week a hot meal was delivered to 42 shut-ins during 1986. This amounted to 10,920 meals. These meals are contracted through The Greater Springfield Senior Services, Inc. and delivered by Meals on Wheels drivers, paid by the Town of Palmer.

An Elderly lunch program was held at Pathfinder Regional Voc. Tech. High School each school day for 50\*. A six week lunch program for the elderly was held during the summer school vacation.

**SURPLUS FOOD DISTRIBUTION:** Free surplus food was distributed from the Palmer Senior Center to 1,416 senior citizens and low income families in the Palmer Area during 1986.

**HEALTH: 5 free health screening clinics** sponsored by the Quaboag Valley Visiting Nurse Assoc. Inc. were held at the Palmer Senior Center during 1986. 146 of Palmer's elderly were served at these clinics for weight, blood pressure, urinalysis and blood sugar.

**17 free blood pressure clinics** were held at the Palmer Senior Center in 1986, 641 senior citizens availed themselves of this free service.

**12 hearing screening clinics** were held at the Palmer Senior Center in 1986. 114 seniors took advantage of this free service.

Many of our Senior Citizens were referred to Greater Springfield Senior Services, Inc. for needed home care services.

**PHONE SERVICE:** 5,782 phone calls were taken at the Palmer Senior Center in 1986. 2,214 calls were for the senior van, 3,151 were information calls, 110 calls were for fuel assistance and 307 calls were for surplus food.

**OUTREACH:** 105 outreach visits were made to elderly shut-ins and 197 outreach phone calls were made in 1986.

**FREE TAX ASSISTANCE:** A free tax service was made available to the Palmer senior citizens for State and Federal Income Tax, sponsored by (AARP) trained through the I.R.S. 128 seniors were helped by this program.

**NEWSLETTERS:** To keep Palmer's elder population informed of the various free services, programs, speakers, activities, trips and events at the Palmer Senior Center, a monthly newsletter is sent out. A yearly contribution is asked for to cover the cost of the mailing. 9,032 newsletters were mailed out in 1986.

**DAILY REGISTRATION SHEET:** During 1986, 8,133 seniors signed our daily registration sheet as they came into the center. Approximately 10% never sign. Of this figure, 1,154 were unduplicated.

**SPEAKERS:** During 1986 several speakers were at the Palmer Senior Center to explain and answer questions on different subjects to interested seniors. Food Stamps, Medex, Medicare, Elder Hostel, Safety in the Home, S.S.I., Coping with Widowhood,

Social Security, Tax Tips to save you money.

The Palmer Senior Center lends, free, large print books and paperbacks, also medical equipment. 20 seniors took advantage of our canes, walkers, wheel chairs and commodes.

**CLASSES:** Classes are held each week at the Palmer Senior Center in Quilling, Crafts, Crochet, Chair Exercise, Knitting, Acrylic Painting. Cribbage, Bridge, Pitch and Bingo are played weekly and there are 4 Senior Center bowling groups.

**ONGOING PROGRAMS: Widowed Persons Support and Social Group.** Exchanging of ideas, information sharing, support and socialization.

**Once a month movie program,** funded by the Dept. of Elder Affairs.

**SUNSHINE LADY:** The Sunshine Lady for the Palmer Senior Center sent out 925 Birthday cards, 97 Get Well cards, 28 Sympathy cards and 108 Anniversary cards during 1986. These cards are donated.

**DONATIONS:** Donations were made in the name of the Palmer Senior Citizens Club Inc. to the Palmer Emergency Fuel Fund, the Palmer Food Share Program, Wing Hospital, I.C.U. Fund, the Palmer Lions Club and the Palmer Ambulance Service.

**RECREATION:** Several day trips and overnight trips were scheduled in 1986 by the Palmer Senior Center. 644 seniors took these trips.

Our annual club picnic at Stanley Park attracted 120 seniors.

Our annual Christmas Party, held at the Senior Center this year attracted 119 seniors.

**VOLUNTEERS:** 22 senior volunteers offered their services in some capacity at the Palmer Senior Center in 1986. If paid at minimum wage it would equal \$12,098.40 worth of service.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Murray, Director  
Rose Tyburski, Acting Chairman  
Norman Guerette, Secretary  
Regina Schlesinger, Treasurer  
Elizabeth Kolbusz  
Christine Stockmal  
Roland Richer  
Alfred Carlson  
Frank Zabawa  
Nathan Sheldon  
Kenneth Supernaw

#### REPORT OF THE VETERANS' SERVICES DEPARTMENT

The primary function of the Veterans' Services Department is to administer financial assistance to veterans and their dependents who qualify, in order to insure their procurement of life sustaining needs. The administration of these benefits is governed by the provisions set forth in Chapter 115 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as amended.

Other services provided by the office included assisting veterans and their dependents in filing for various benefits administered by the Veterans Administration, conducting an extensive referral service utilizing various state, federal and private agencies, and performing the duties of Burial Agent and Graves Officer.

The Veterans' Services Department is not a branch of the Federal Veterans Administration, and although this office is able to answer many questions dealing with V.A. benefits, there are times when the veteran can be better served by contacting the Federal Veterans Administration directly. The V.A. provides a toll free number (1-800-392-6015) which connects the caller with the regional office in Boston. The closest local office of the V.A. is located in Room 360 on the 3rd floor of the Federal Building on Main Street in Springfield.

" Because the position of Veterans' Agent is part-time, I recommend calling 283-8011 before visiting the office in order to avoid appearing at a time not scheduled for office hours.

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly A. Morin  
Veterans' Agent

#### **REPORT OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES DEPARTMENT**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby submit the annual report of the Weights and Measures Department for the year 1986. The same information was contained in my report to the Director of Standards, as required by Section 37, Chapter 98 General Laws of Massachusetts submitted on January 5, 1987.

Three hundred seventy eight measurement devices were certified as correct after testing and sealing, fees collected and turned into the Town Treasurer amounted to Two Thousand Three Hundred and Six Dollars. Thirty nine of these devices required adjustment prior to being certified, eighteen were tagged for needing service and thirteen were non-sealed.

Two hundred forty one food packages were reweighed at local stores, two hundred were found correct, fifteen were underweight and twenty-six overweight.

As well as six scales over one hundred lbs. being retested eleven scales under 100 lbs. were also checked after sealing.

Forty-six fuel oil certificates were inspected for legal requirements.

My thanks to the Board of Selectmen, Mrs. Sugrue, the Finance Committee and staff as well as all in the Treasurer's office for their help during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Clark, Sealer



## **PATHFINDER REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT ANNUAL REPORT — 1986**

The Pathfinder Regional Vocational Technical High School District Committee hereby presents its thirteenth annual report since the opening of the school in 1974.

Nineteen eighty six was a year of unusually favorable recognition to Pathfinder and its staff. Two individuals in particular are deserving of mention. Susan Costa of the English Department was selected by the State Board of Education as one of the first Lucretia Crocker Fellows for her work in the teaching of writing. She is spending the 1986-87 school year on leave working with teachers around the state to improve writing skills among high school students. In June, cosmetology instructor Joseph Valentine was honored by the Division of Occupational Education as one of four persons who contributed the most to vocational education over the past year.

Opening day enrollment at Pathfinder held steady at 497 students including 138 new enrollees. Of this number **76** were from Belchertown, **79** from Monson, **16** from New Braintree, and **145** from Palmer. Out-of-district students numbered an all time high of **181** and represented the following **19** communities: Brimfield, Chicopee, Easthampton, Granby, Hampden, Hardwick, Hatfield, Holyoke, Longmeadow, Ludlow, North Brookfield, Oakham, South Hadley, Springfield, Ware, Warren, West Brookfield, Westfield, and Wilbraham.

Recruitment of new students continues to be a major priority as secondary enrollments in member and surrounding towns decline. This effort was enhanced by additional grant monies, enabling the school to expand its portable public relations booth which displays academic and vocational opportunities available at Pathfinder. This attractive unit has been placed in various locations around the community, including a week at the Eastern States Exposition. Through this exposure and distribution of materials, Pathfinder has been able to publicize its programs to a larger group of qualified applicants, generating requests for additional information and application materials.

A second component of the recruitment program — also a grant funded activity — was the summer exploratory experience for district seventh graders. Students with limited experience in vocational or industrial arts subjects were given an opportunity to explore their talents in such areas as carpentry, drafting, food services, and programming. A goal of the project is to attract qualified students who do not usually choose a vocational education as an option because of a general lack of exposure to its advantages. Students were also encouraged to consider the opportunities in non-traditional occupations.

Pathfinder's staff is encouraged by the continued positive response to the Summer Exploratory Project. Providing district students an opportunity to explore vocational offerings before making the important decision regarding high school selection as eighth graders has been very well received by the community. Enrollment figures for the 1986-87 school year indicated that approximately 50% of the students who participated in the 1985 Summer Exploratory Project enrolled as ninth graders at Pathfinder in September.

The school's professional staff remained stable and included 17 academic teachers, 32 vocational shop and related teachers, 15 special needs personnel, and 2 counselors. An additional computer programming instructor was employed with the assistance of P.L. 98-524 funds to accommodate the increase in enrollment as that shop expanded to a four-year offering. Among the administrative staff changes were the promotion of Mark Condon to Director of Guidance and the selection of Drafting Instructor Karl Foerster as the full-time Director of Cooperative Education.

For Fiscal 1987, the school committee adopted an operating and maintenance budget of \$2,794,938, a capital budget of \$229,080, and a substantially separate program budget of \$238,692. Reductions through state aid and tuition income resulted in initial assessments to member towns as follows: Belchertown, \$256,809; Monson, \$361,773; New Braintree, \$65,417; and Palmer, \$648,340, for a total of \$1,332,339. Prior to town meetings in April, the committee voted to apply an additional \$100,000 in tuition income to further reduce the assessments to \$1,232,339, and each of the four towns subsequently approved its apportioned share unanimously.



A successful lobbying effort by Pathfinder officials and the Massachusetts Association of Vocational Administrators won a restoration of \$50,124 in regional school aid by the legislature, and this amount was immediately used to reduce the opening assessments to member towns as originally promised by the school committee.

A number of impressive gains were made in program improvement as the school committee continued its emphasis on curriculum development. Curriculum coordinators were selected in academic and vocational subjects as specified in the collective bargaining agreement, and these individuals were designated as Horace Mann Teachers under Chapter 188. Two full days were set aside exclusively for working on curriculum. An additional incentive was provided under the assessment program mandated under Chapter 188. For the first time, comparative scores were released state-wide in reading, mathematics, and science. Among vocational schools in Massachusetts, Pathfinder did well, scoring considerably above the average in reading and science. Teachers will be using the analysis of results to make curriculum modifications in these areas. The electronics program, housed in the South Hadley Public Schools, was finally relocated to a leased facility in Monson, thus saving Pathfinder students valuable commuting times.

Pathfinder responded to the need for greater and more sophisticated training in data processing by expanding its present program from two to four years and included BASIC, RPGII, and COBOL in its offerings. Grant funds were utilized to purchase a compact computer projector which allows for group participation while each student is still able to remain at his own terminal. Students are also given the opportunity to give group demonstrations using the computer projector on individual assignments.

With the employment of a full time Director of Cooperative Education, additional job opportunities have been identified for students who qualify for alternating periods of paid work and study. Presently serving 17 students, the Co-op Program is expected to grow in popularity both among the students and local business and industry, and it should have a positive impact on job placement in the future.

Special education services were provided for 105 students and an additional 46 in the substantially separate program where training in the automotive field was offered for the first time. In addition, an occupational therapist was employed on a part-time basis and these services were provided to students in the substantially separate program on a group or individual basis. Individual psychological counseling was provided for 11% of the school population; speech and language services were provided for substantially separate students as well as individual speech therapy to 6% of the student population.

Recognizing the disadvantaged and handicapped emphasis in P.L. 98-524, the Carl Perkins Vocational Education Act, Pathfinder developed support programs in Grades 10-12 English classes as well as in basic concepts in mathematics. Closely related to these efforts were concepts in career education which were infused into the curriculum in both subjects. Funding for these programs was made available by the Division of Occupational Education and included contributions of P.L. 98-524 monies from three member towns.

In addition to the regular day program, Pathfinder continued to sponsor a number of highly successful special programs. New this year was a six week summer career awareness program designed for adolescents in the custody of the Department of Youth Services. Also new this year was an adult education program in culinary arts which introduced basic cooking and baking techniques to 25 students. An added benefit to the school was the purchase of several pieces of kitchen equipment utilizing grant monies which supported the program.

The afternoon program continued to offer vocational skills training, servicing 40 students representing 11 towns. This program, now in its seventh year of operation, provided training in the areas of automotive mechanics, carpentry, and machinery. The drop-out prevention focus of the program afforded an alternative for "at risk" youth, and a unique opportunity for community students to prepare for the world of work or re-entry into the day program.

Through service delivery contracts with the Department of Education, Pathfinder continued its commitment to providing quality educational programs to institutionalized and community based handicapped students. Three programs operate at the facilities of Belchertown State School, Monson Developmental Center, and Ludlow High

School. Providing life skills, pre-vocational and vocational offerings, these programs maximize the potential for student success in life.

Pathfinder offered adult courses in the areas of automotive mechanics and computer assisted drafting designed to provide training and advanced training in selected areas of interest to the community.

Responding to concerns identified on a national scale, Pathfinder's student services staff carried out a major redesign of day-to-day student behavioral expectations as well as a considerable strengthening of substance abuse and harassment disciplinary policies and relevant follow-up procedures. New language was incorporated in both the student and teacher handbooks, and workshops were held to address these concerns.

Representatives from a number of schools identified Pathfinder's student disciplinary system as a model and requested assistance in creating similar approaches in their respective buildings. A **Directory of Resources** addressing substance abuse, crisis intervention, and family counseling was compiled by student services staff and made available to students and parents.

Pathfinder remains justly proud of its students and the contributions they make toward the community, both through formal course work and in voluntary activities. Several shop areas continued to serve the citizens of the district in such endeavors as preparing lunches for the elderly, repairing and servicing vehicles, building a house, landscaping, doing sewing and mending and offering such items for sale as plants, holiday decorations, baked goods. The school's culinary arts program continues to provide meals for local civic and youth groups. Carpentry and electrical projects have been completed for the Palmer Public Schools and the Monson Parks and Recreation Department. Although staff and students represent more than twenty rural communities, their school initiated involvement in home based civic and community service activities continues to be notable. Programs, committees and service efforts range from the more traditional FFA, student government, scouting and fund raising efforts to substance abuse and awareness programs, community data collection activities, public library building and collection assistance, design of parade floats and many others.

School Committee Chairman Marceline B. Matrow presented diplomas and vocational certificates to 99 students at graduation ceremonies in June 1986. Fifty-three percent of the class found immediate employment in their trade or enrolled in an institution of higher education. An additional twenty-five percent secured immediate employment in other trade areas, and three percent enlisted in military service. Scholarships totalling \$9,350 were awarded at the annual graduation.

In the fall of 1986, the school committee undertook a number of studies with the potential for long range implications. First was an analysis of enrollment trends in member and surrounding communities which has led to the recommendation that at least one additional town be admitted to the district. Second was a preliminary study of building needs to accommodate and consolidate current programs as well as to provide some flexibility for future growth. Several alternatives are now under consideration. Finally, the committee commissioned a study of compensation levels for administrative and support staff as well as the organizational structure in order to make maximum use of human potential within the system.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael J. Cavanaugh, Palmer, Chairman  
George R. Harrell, Belchertown  
Marceline B. Matrow, Monson  
Geraldine A. Reavy, New Braintree  
Ronald J. Laviolette, Palmer

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE 1986-1987

Carol B. Roy, Chairperson  
David M. Droz, Vice Chairman  
James R. Longtine, Secretary

David M. Droz	Term expires 1988
Robert S. Dupuis	Term expires 1989
James R. Longtine	Term expires 1989
Joseph S. Romanik	Term expires 1987
Carol B. Roy	Term expires 1987

Regular meetings of the School Committee are held at 7:00 p.m. the second Wednesday of each month except during July and August.

Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

### TENTATIVE BUDGET

	1986-87	1987-88
1000 Administration	\$ 136,187.08	\$ 139,420.90
2000 Instruction	3,429,741.99	3,729,841.89
3000 Other School Services	449,603.52	543,721.34
4000 Operation & Maintenance of Plant	448,593.00	471,891.08
5000 Fixed Charges	198,017.66	222,819.86
6000 Community Services	17,650.00	17,650.00
7100 Improvement of Sites	0.00	0.00
7200 Improvement of Buildings	11,700.00	7,500.00
7300 Acquisition of Equipment	6,327.90	15,090.20
7400 Replacement of Equipment	24,097.85	24,351.73
9000 Trade & Adult Evening School Expenses	0.0	0.0
9100 Tuition	266,981.00	220,714.00
Federal Matching Funds	0.00	0.00
Surplus Property	0.00	0.00
	<u>\$4,988,900.00</u>	<u>\$5,393,001.00</u>

### Special Education Program Included in Above Figures

Instructional Services	\$416,007.80	\$464,648.00
Census	1,000.00	1,000.00
Health	1,670.10	1,994.72
Pupil Transportation	86,833.00	129,470.00
Acquisition of Equipment	1,000.00	0.00
Replacement of Equipment	200.00	300.00
Tuition	<u>266,981.00</u>	<u>220,714.00</u>
	<u>\$773,691.90</u>	<u>\$818,126.72</u>

PLEASE NOTE: This budget reflects increases for Administrators, Teachers, and full-time Custodians only.

### ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT

To the School Committee and People of the Town of Palmer:

The year 1986 was a year of change and continued striving for excellence in the Palmer Public Schools. The Massachusetts Public School Improvement Act of 1985, Chapter 188, was implemented in 1986, and this presented a challenge for the schools in meeting the demands of new requirements as well as finding ways to take advantage of the new funding areas.



After a long and steady decline, enrollment appears to have started an upward trend. The enrollment for the 1986-1987 school year is up slightly over last year to a total of 1733. The high school enrollment remained steady with the increase at the elementary level. With the amount of building projected for the town, it is likely that there will be a growth in the school population, at least for the foreseeable future.

As I have mentioned many times, the strength of a school system is in its people. This strength is exemplified by the following staff members who were chosen by institutions of learning to participate in study programs: Judith Brown and Ruth O'Malley at Smith College program, Current Students/Future Engineers; Ruth O'Malley at Hampshire College Summer Math Institute; Cecilia Zajk at Summer Institute on Shay's Rebellion at Amherst College; Cecilia Zajk and Michael Marciniec at Old Sturbridge Village Program; Claire Sygiel, mathematics program at Boston Museum of Science. I also note the loss of three long-term teachers — two to retirement: Ruth Muska, Business Department Head, and Eleanor Wilson, Home Economics; and one to a new career: John Riddle, Physics — and wish them well in their future endeavors.

Special services at the elementary schools were improved by the addition of one full-time physical education teacher and a half-time art teacher.

Almost three-quarters of the graduating class of 1986 went on to post secondary education, with 31% going to 4-year colleges and 35% to 2-year colleges. The remainder went into the military (8%) or into the general work force.

Other indicators of excellence are the low high school dropout rate (1.3%), the high attendance rate (94%) to 96%) for the individual schools, and above average results on the Massachusetts Educational Assessment Testing. In this first statewide assessment of curriculum and instruction, Palmer students in grades 3, 7, and 11 (the only grades tested) scored higher than both the state average and the average of other communities similar to Palmer.

At the elementary level we had two Problem Solving teams selected for state competition. A high school team was also chosen. In the Music Department four students were chosen for All Western Massachusetts Band, and two students were chosen for the All State Band. The chess and math teams both enjoyed success, with the chess team finishing second in Western Massachusetts. In athletics the boys' and girls' basketball teams, the baseball and softball teams, and the girls' tennis team all won their league titles and participated in championship competition. The football team had its second straight undefeated season and won its second straight Division II Superbowl with its 15th shutout in 22 victories.

Instructional opportunities for students were improved by the upgrading of equipment and the addition of curriculum. Federal Chapter 2 funds (\$15,714) and budget funds made it possible to purchase new computers, furniture, and software to establish a 16-station computer laboratory in the high school. This made it possible to use the computers from the old laboratory for the elementary schools. New computers were also purchased for graphic arts and for guidance. The guidance computer is being used to assist students with career information and to do student scheduling, thus eliminating the need for an outside scheduling service.

Occupational education funds (\$6,985) under the Federal Carl Perkins Act were used to purchase additional electronic typewriters for the Business Department.

A new humanities course in cooperation with the Five College Partnership was instituted this year for top juniors and seniors. A one-semester economics course funded by Junior Achievement was introduced in the high school. This is a follow-up to our ongoing Project Business activities with Junior Achievement and Tambrands for the eighth grades. The gifted program was expanded so that it now meets every week for the full school year. State funds for School Improvement Councils in the sum of \$26,830 were used to provide additional audiovisual equipment and reference materials for the schools. Junior and senior high school choruses have been added as well. In addition, a transitional class was established for kindergarten students not yet ready for first grade. This program will help these students to get the solid foundation they need for success in first grade and thereafter. The schools continue programs with Old Sturbridge Village in social studies, the University of Massachusetts Coalition for School Improvement, and the U.S. State Department-sponsored School-to-School Partnership with the American School in Bilbao, Spain. We also continue our relation-

ship with Springfield Technical Community College whereby STCC provides both college credit and non-credit courses for Palmer residents. In addition, an arrangement has been made so that Palmer seniors may take a college course at STCC for both high school and college credit provided there is space available and the schedule can be arranged.

In addition to the funding mentioned above, the Palmer Schools received a number of other grants under Chapter 188. These include \$25,494 in 1985-1986 and \$62,162 in 1986-1987 under the Equal Education Opportunity Grant program, approximately \$8,000 in Commonwealth Inservice Institute funds to support four staff inservice programs, and \$13,000 in Horace Mann Grant funds for teacher-initiated activities to improve education. Approval was just received for a grant for remedial education in the amount of \$100,000. This is as a result of a proposal I submitted for computer assisted instruction in the middle elementary grades and a computer focused reading program for kindergarten and grade 1.

The School Committee has just appointed a committee to study school needs and to recommend alternative courses of action regarding those needs. It appears obvious that both short- and long-range planning are necessary to meet the educational needs of the community as we approach the twenty-first century.

In conclusion, much effort has been made to provide meaningful educational activities and change. Much of the change has been at little or no direct cost to the local taxpayer. I will continue to aggressively pursue funding grant opportunities and meaningful educational change to benefit Palmer children. I thank you for your continued support of the schools and invite your comments and input. There is no more important thing we can do for the future than to educate our children today.

Submitted by:

James M. Pasquill  
Superintendent of Schools



**REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR**  
**Fiscal Year July 1, 1985-June 30, 1986**

**Account of 1983**

Outstanding July 1, 1985	\$ 3,146.04	
Interest	<u>130.61</u>	\$ 3,276.65
Paid Treasurer	656.50	
Abatements	<u>1,967.25</u>	2,623.75
Outstanding June 30, 1986		\$ 652.90

**Account of 1984**

Outstanding July 1, 1985	\$ 39,256.76	
Additional Assessor's Warrants to be collected	1,491.77	
Motor Vehicle excise taxes abated after payment	159.12	
Real Estate taxes abated after payment	552.00	
Interest	<u>4,896.55</u>	\$46,356.20
Paid Treasurer	40,111.50	
Abatements	1,191.22	
Tax Title	746.00	
Adjustment to Fire District #1	<u>122.75</u>	42,171.47
Outstanding June 30, 1986		\$ 4,184.73

**Account of 1985**

Outstanding July 1, 1985	\$2,188,510.39	
Additional Assessor's Warrants to be collected	172,132.41	
Motor Vehicle excise taxes abated after payment	2,611.78	
Real Estate taxes abated after payment	11,302.06	
Interest	<u>12,188.29</u>	\$2,386,744.93
Paid Treasurer	2,317,744.92	
Abatements	21,116.73	
Tax Title	839.25	
Subsequent Taxes	<u>8,815.50</u>	2,348,516.40
Outstanding June 30, 1986		\$ 38,228.53

**Account of 1986**

Assessor's Warrants to be collected	\$4,330,974.05	
Motor Vehicle excise taxes abated after payment	823.47	
Real Estate taxes abated after payment	5,643.84	
Interest	<u>541.99</u>	\$4,337,983.35
Paid Treasurer	3,839,851.07	
Abatements	79,349.41	

Subsequent Taxes	<u>6,971.80</u>	<u>3,926,172.28</u>
Outstanding June 30, 1986		\$ 411,811.07
Trailer Coach Fees Received		
from July 1, 1985 - June 30, 1986		\$ 10,920.00
Paid Treasurer		\$ 10,920.00

#### **Sewer User Charge**

##### **Account of 1984**

Outstanding July 1, 1985	\$ 1,549.30	
Interest	<u>240.00</u>	\$1,789.30
Paid Treasurer	1,579.30	
Tax Title	<u>210.00</u>	<u>1,789.30</u>
Outstanding June 30, 1986		-0-

##### **Account of 1985**

Outstanding July 1, 1985	\$26,447.00	
Additional Warrants to be collected	45,317.64	
Committed Interest	1,388.00	
Sewer User Charge abated after payment	213.00	
Interest	<u>1,257.22</u>	\$74,622.86
Paid Treasurer	37,903.41	
Abatements	34,871.45	
Subsequent Taxes	<u>84.00</u>	<u>72,858.86</u>
Outstanding June 30, 1986		\$ 1,764.00

##### **Account of 1986**

Warrants to be collected	\$457,153.51	
Sewer User Charge bated after payment	<u>825.00</u>	\$457,978.51
Paid Treasurer	419,928.51	
Abatements	<u>5,400.00</u>	<u>425,328.51</u>
Outstanding June 30, 1986		\$ 32,650.00

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen J. Dranka  
Tax Collector

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

### LOCAL EXPENDITURES:

Appropriations		\$8,989,311.50
Offsets	\$25,602.00	
Lower Pioneer Valley Regional Planning Commission	1,708.35	
	<u>\$27,310.35</u>	27,310.35

### STATE & COUNTY CHARGES:

Cherry Sheet Charges:	\$218,062.00	218,062.00
OVERLAY:		<u>157,815.75</u>
GROSS AMOUNT TO BE RAISED:		\$9,392,499.60

### ESTIMATED RECEIPTS & AVAILABLE FUNDS:

Cherry Sheet Receipts:	\$3,520,085.00	
Prior Year Overestimates:	556.00	
Local Estimated Receipts:	1,024,700.00	
Free Cash:	226,527.00	
Available Funds:	68,194.50	
Revenue Sharing:	240,000.00	
Free Cash To Reduce Rate:	<u>290,000.00</u>	
TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS	\$5,370,062.50	\$5,370,062.50
NET AMOUNT TO BE RAISED:		<u>\$4,022,437.10</u>

NET AMOUNT TO BE RAISED ÷ TOTAL VALUATION = TAX RATE

\$4,022,437.10 ÷ \$182,838,050 = \$22.00 per M

School Rate	\$10.34
General Rate	<u>11.66</u>
	\$22.00

### CLASSIFIED PERCENTAGES

	Levy Percentage	Levy by Class
RESIDENTIAL:	74.0685	\$2,979,358.82
OPEN SPACE:	-0-	-0-
COMMERCIAL:	9.4871	381,612.63
INDUSTRIAL:	9.8271	395,288.92
PERSONAL PROPERTY:	<u>6.6173</u>	<u>266,176.73</u>
	100.00%	\$4,022,437.10

### VALUATION BY CLASS

RESIDENTIAL	\$135,425,400
OPEN SPACE	-0-
COMMERCIAL	17,346,000
INDUSTRIAL	17,967,700
PERSONAL PROPERTY	<u>12,098,950</u>
TOTAL VALUATION	\$182,838,050

**OTHER COMMITMENTS TO TAX COLLECTOR  
WARRANTS FOR 1986**

**MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES:**

1985	\$ 12,361.13
1986	<u>\$405,076.83</u>
Total Motor Vehicle Excise	\$417,437.96

**FARM ANIMAL & MACHINERY EXCISE:**

1986	\$ 1,101.75
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**ABATEMENTS & EXEMPTIONS  
GRANTED IN 1986**

ABATEMENTS:	1984	1985	1986
Real Estate:	\$552.00	-0-	\$1,713.93
Personal Property	-0-	\$86.63	\$ 366.30

**EXEMPTIONS: 1986**

Cl. 17-Surviving Spouses	\$ 1,400.00
Cl. 22-Veterans	\$22,678.42
Cl. 37-Blind	\$ 6,006.36
Cl. 41-Elderly	\$40,906.16

**TOTAL PROPERTY EXEMPTIONS & ABATEMENTS IN 1986:**

1984	\$ 552.00
1985	\$ 86.63
1986	<u>\$73,071.17</u>
	\$73,709.80

Respectfully submitted,

Alvin C. Rondeau  
Stanley J. Swiatlowski  
Mary E. Nagle  
Board of Assessors

**QUABOAG VALLEY VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION, INC.**  
**Palmer-1986**

In November 1985, QVVNA became a subsidiary corporation of Wing Health Systems, Inc. In order that our financial operation could be included in Wing's consolidated statement it was necessary to change the VNA's fiscal year end to September 30th. The following statistical report is therefore, a nine month calculation ending September 30, 1986.

**Statistical Report for 1986**

**I. Home Visits:**

Nursing	2,359	
Physical Therapy	605	
Homemaker/Homehealth Aides	5,149	- 11,123 hours
Maternal and Child Care	50	

**II. Communicable Disease:**

Follow-up and investigation	9
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**III. Health Screening Clinics:**

Four (4) clinics funded by Home Care Corporation with 25% matching funds by Q.V.V.N.A. were held in Palmer.

Number of elderly screened	80	(unduplicated)
	110	visits
Number of follow-ups:	1	

**IV. Title III Grant:**

Number of elderly serviced	23
Homemaker/Homehealth Aide hours	1,005
Number of nursing visits	92

THE VNA MAY BE CONTACTED BY CALLING 283-9715 or 283-7651.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Holland  
Director



**PALMER REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
1986 ANNUAL REPORT**

With the dawning of a new year, the Palmer Redevelopment Authority found itself reviewing the year 1986 as another successful year for the Industrial Park and ultimately for the Town of Palmer. As '86 joined with the years of 1984 and 1985 in bringing new industry to the Town; and the industry developing into more new jobs, the group deemed the efforts of the past 18 years as "worthwhile."

1986 found the completion of Maple Leaf Distribution Services, American Dry Ice, New England Truss & Building Systems along with Health Tec. bringing to the Park a total of nine (9) firms. A tenth business, SOURCE TWO will build on Lot 2 in early Spring.

Also adding to the brightness of the future are the four (4) additional firms taking options for property in the Industrial Park; with the completion of sale and building to start in the Spring of 1987.

Due to increased business, two firms (Vartanian Custom Cabinets and Health Tec.) have started building additions to their existing plants with occupancy planned for the Spring of 1987 . . . The result . . . additional employment.

**SUMMARY:** A total of ten firms are now located in the park, employing a total of **341 persons**. Buildings cover 222,500 sq. ft. on 74 acres of land.

**LASERCOMB AMERICA:** Manufactures dies for the packaging industry. Provides **57 jobs**. Building covers 12,500 sq. ft. on 6 acres of land.

**QUABOAG TRANSFER:** An intermodal facility transferring lumber. Provides **73 jobs**. Building covers 10,000 sq. ft. on 18 acres of land.

**HEALTH TEC.:** Manufactures adult disposable diapers. provides **100 jobs**. Building covers 75,000 sq. ft. on 13 acres.

**AMERICAN DRY ICE:** Makes dry ice products. Building covers 7,500 sq. ft. on 2 acres of land. **10 jobs**.

**SPECTRUM INTERNATIONAL:** Is a die and pattern shop. Building covers 10,000 sq. ft. on 3 acres of land. This industry is responsible for **20 jobs**.

**MAPLE LEAF DISTRIBUTION SERVICES:** Distributes newspaper. This enterprise provides **20 jobs**. Building covers 7,500 sq. ft. on 2.5 acres.

**SOURCE TWO:** Manufactures film splicing stations. This firm provides **15 jobs**. Building covers 7,500 sq. ft. on 2.5 acres.

**VARTANIAN CUSTOM CABINETS:** Does custom millworking. This industry provides **12 jobs**. Building covers 10,000 sq. ft. on 2.5 acres.

**NEW ENGLAND TRUSS AND BUILDING SYSTEMS:** Make roof trusses and building components. **22 jobs** are provided by this industry. Building covers 15,000 sq. ft. on 7 acres of land.

**CONVERSION ENGINEERING:** Is a metal fabrication firm. Employment is furnished with **12 jobs**. Building covers 10,000 sq. ft. on 2 acres of land.

While admittedly the future of the Park is bright, and the employment generated by the firms established there has been an economic boom to the Town . . . and with the increased tax base for the community . . . an ironic twist has developed . . . **LACK OF READILY AVAILABLE HELP** for employment in the Park. Jobs are going begging.

A source of concern plaguing the Park since its inception is property damage. This year the undermining of the Railroad Spur by dune buggies, motorcycles etc., caused damage to the tune of over \$13,000.00. It had been hoped that as more and more businesses came into the Park that appreciation for the job opportunities presented along with pride by all ages in the Township of Palmer for an Industrial Park which has been Nationally commended for its beauty as well as its growth potential would in fact put a stop to the vandalism. Unfortunately this has not been the case. It is a major concern of the P.R.A. that expends not only monies that could be used for more profitable uses but energies that must be stretched in still another direction. We as a committee can only urge all citizens of the Town to aid both Park and Law officials in the protection of property that is being used for the good of all.

In August of 1986, the Authority held Public Meetings regarding their plan to sell Lot 16 located on Main Street in Bondsville . . . for housing. Although few attended these informational sessions, those who did attend were given details regarding the scope of the project. The Authority in turn was given ideas by the people present at the meeting which were incorporated into the planning of the project. The developers were pleased with the exchange of views and were generous in their explanation of the project as well as explaining away some of the myths that had been developed along the way. In September the Authority came to an agreement with Mr. John Vartanian and Mr. Wilfred Lemieux, owners of New England Truss and Building Systems, for the sale of Lot 16 and the development of five (5) apartment buildings consisting of 90 one or two bedroom apartments. The project will be known as "RIVERBEND APARTMENTS." These dwellings will be available to all; Senior Citizens and disabled included. The project is scheduled to start in early Spring of 1987.

This report is also a verification of past reports that the Industrial Park is rapidly reaching its capacity filled state . . . with less than 25 acres remaining to be occupied. With this fact it is brought to view that there is very little land available for industrial expansion in the Town of Palmer. The Authority strongly recommends that the Planning Board, Conservation Commission, Sewage Dept., and the various Water & Fire Dept. officials work closely together to review possible sites for ADDITIONAL industrial growth in the Community. By doing so the concerns of Environmental Protection, Traffic and Public Safety, Aquifers and proper Land Use along with Zoning can be addressed in a co-operative and timely method.

Although 1986 brought encouragement and joy to the P.R.A., it also brought sadness with the loss of long time member LEONARD SABOURIN. Mr. Sabourin had been the Governor's appointee to the Authority in 1975 and had served willingly in that capacity until his untimely death in November of this year. Leonard served as a strong and devoted member who provided unique insight to the needs of the Town. The Authority can only be the stronger for his membership. The Town indeed has profited by his giving of self and all who had dealings with him will miss his presence.

Finally, the Authority would like to express its gratitude and appreciation to Mr. Raymond Warren, WestMass Area Development Corp., who as Marketing Director for the Authority has done a superb job. We also thank the members of the Planning Board, Board of Assessors, Conservation Commission, Highway and Sewage Departments and the Bondsville Fire & Water District officials for their co-operation. Without this spirit of co-operation and mutual interest in the good of the Township of Palmer, none of the above would have been possible.

Respectfully submitted,

Palmer Redevelopment Authority  
Neil M. McDonald, Chairman  
Mary C. Krawiec, Vice Chairman  
Richard C. Taylor, Secretary  
Thomas W. Haley, Treasurer  
Leonard J. Sabourin, Asst. Treas.

## REPORT OF THE PLUMBING INSPECTOR

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen, I hereby submit the Annual Report of the Plumbing Inspector from January 1, 1986 to December 31, 1986.

New Permits	67
Renovations	30
Replacements	5
Re-inspections	33

Respectfully submitted,

Eugene S. Gancarz  
Plumbing Inspector

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

The Palmer Board of Health herewith submits this report for the calendar year ending December 31, 1986.

The Board of Health holds immunization clinics every other month, free of charge, in the cafeteria of Palmer High School. Clinics were held on the following dates in 1986:

MMR-Poliomyelitis-DPT and TD	February 1st
MMR-Poliomyelitis-DPT and TD	April 5th
MMR-Poliomyelitis-DPT and TD	June 12th
MMR-Poliomyelitis-DPT and TD	August 9th
MMR-Poliomyelitis-DPT and TD	October 18th
MMR-Poliomyelitis-DPT and TD	December 6th
Flu Clinic for Elderly	November 1st

The following diseases were reported to the Palmer Board of Health during the year 1986:

Animal Bites	-	18
Hepatitis	-	2
Meningitis	-	2
Salmonellosis	-	4
Campylobacter	-	7
Yersinia	-	3
Giardia Lambia	-	1
Gonorrhea	-	8
Chlamydia Trachomatis	-	4

It is the responsibility of the Board of Health to enforce the rules, regulations and laws pertaining to the public health. This is done directly or indirectly through the Health Department's Plumbing Inspector, Vermin Control Officer, Milk Inspector and Agent. Board members make numerous housing inspections during the year to ensure compliance with the State Sanitary Code as well as many other duties as required by the General Laws.

Respectfully submitted,

Frederick J. Lis, Chairman  
Maurice R. LePage, D.S.C., Vice Chairman  
Rose Tyburski, Clerk

## ANNUAL REPORT OF BOARD OF CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

The Palmer Cemetery Commissioners hereby submit their report for 1986.

Regular meetings were held on the third Tuesday of each month, except July and August, at the Town Administration Building.

Four Cemeteries, under the jurisdiction of the Commissioners, were maintained and improved to the fullest extent possible allowed by available funds. With two full-time workers and seasonal summer help we are proud of the results, and there are many compliments on our good-looking cemeteries.

The retirement of Superintendent Anthony Wielkiewicz ended a span of eighteen years working in the Cemetery Department. He had been superintendent since December 1977. Thank you, Tony.

Commissioner Robert J. Brown, Jr. died while in office in November 1985. He had been a Commissioner since 1983. We will miss his devotion to duty.

Frederick C. Olson was first appointed to fill the vacancy and later elected to fill out the term ending in 1988. Fred has become a valuable member of the board.

We acknowledge and appreciate the help and cooperation of the Park, Highway, Water and Police Departments. The Commissioners and our workers strive to cooperate to the fullest extent possible with all other Town Departments without adversely affecting the function of the Cemetery Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert G. Faulkner, Chairman  
Richard A. Laviolette  
Frederick C. Olson

## REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

I hereby submit my report for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1985 and ending June 30, 1986.

Cash Balance July 1, 1985	\$ 425,680.30
Receipts	26,996,533.97
Transferred from Federal Revenue	
Sharing Funds for Police Salaries	240,000.00
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	\$27,662,214.27
Payments per Warrants	26,225,798.01
Cash Balance June 30, 1986	<hr/>
	\$ 1,406,416.26

Cash and checks in office (late receipts)	\$ 1,026,920.03
Shawmut First Bank and Trust Company	50.02
State Street Bank and Trust Company	275,379.78
BayBank Valley Trust Company	4,241.70
BayBank Valley Trust Company WPC	126.48
Century Bank and Trust Company	28.68
Bank of New England West	1,762.43
Country Bank for Savings - Energy	
Conservation Improvement Program	.72
Bank of New England West	
Small Cities Program Grant	4,406.00
Mass. Municipal Depository Trust -	
Chapter 90 Improvement Program	84,631.00
State Street Bank - Interest Government	
Investment Acct.	7,823.35
BayBank Valley - Interest WPC	
Capital Account	175.43



Century Bank - Interest Repurchase  
Agreement

870.64  
\$ 1,406,416.26

INVESTMENTS:

Government Investment Account  
(M.M.):

State Street Bank and Trust Company \$ 753,797.95

Certificates of Deposit:

Bank of New England West 629,000.00

Shawmut First Bank and Trust Company 250,000.00

BayBank Valley Trust Company 400,000.00

Repurchase Agreements:

Century Bank and Trust Company 318,000.00

W.P.C. Capital Account:

BayBank Valley Trust Company 25,650.00

Pooled Investment:

Mass. Municipal Depository Trust 90,528.51

\$ 2,466,976.46

The total amount of interest income earned during the fiscal  
year on Bank Accounts, Investments, and Invested Federal  
Revenue Sharing Funds was:

\$ 94,245.00

Respectfully submitted,  
Irene T. Brozek  
Town Treasurer

**SUMMARY OF FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING FUNDS**

Entitlement #15		Balance
Balance July 1, 1985	\$27,097.89	
Receipts	-----	
Interest	<u>518.71</u>	
	\$27,616.60	
Less disbursements-Police salaries	27,616.60	
Balance June 30, 1986		-0-
 Entitlement #16		
Balance July 1, 1985	\$115,312.62	
Receipts	111,110.58	
Interest	<u>7,777.45</u>	
	\$234,200.65	
Less disbursements-Police salaries	<u>212,383.40</u>	
Balance June 30, 1986		\$21,817.25
 Entitlement #17		
Receipts	\$115,928.00	
Interest	<u>2,130.51</u>	
Balance June 30, 1986		<u>\$118,058.51</u>
 Total Balance of Federal Revenue Sharing Funds June 30, 1986		 <u><u>\$139,875.76</u></u>

Respectfully submitted,  
  
Irene T. Brozek  
Town Treasurer



## SPECIAL TOWN MEETINGS IN 1986

To provide our citizens with an account of what transpired at our Special Town Meetings, the Executive Secretary offers the following:

January 6, 1986:

ARTICLE 2. Voters approved transferring \$200,000 from Free Cash to reduce the FY-86 tax levy.

ARTICLE 3. Voters approved transferring \$100,000 from Free Cash to establish a Stabilization Fund in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 5B.

ARTICLE 4. Voters approved accepting the provisions of Chapter 663 of the Acts of 1983 which provides for the transportation of private school students as mandated by law.

ARTICLE 5. Voters approved accepting a professional development grant payable on February 15, 1986, August 15, 1986, February 15, 1987, and August 15, 1987, under the provisions of Section 13 of Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1985.

ARTICLE 6. Voters approved authorizing the Pathfinder Regional Vocational Technical High School District Committee to apply for and accept any funding which may be available to the District by accepting the provisions of Chapter 188, Section 13 of the Acts of 1985, which hereby established a professional development grant program for the purpose of supplementing teacher compensation in cities, towns, and regional school districts, educational collaboratives, or independent vocational schools.

ARTICLE 7. Voters approved considering the property and building located at the Wilbraham St. and North Main St. intersection now in the control of the Massachusetts Central Railroad as a blighted area and approve a rehabilitation plan for the land and building.

February 24, 1986:

ARTICLE 2. Voters approved transferring \$11,025 from Free Cash for expenses incurred in extinguishing a fire at the Sanitary Landfill.

ARTICLE 3. Voters approved transferring \$1,309 from Free Cash for unpaid bills of previous years of the Veterans' Benefits Department.

ARTICLE 5. Voters approved amending the Zoning Map of the Town of Palmer to rezone the following described parcel from Village High Density Residential to General Business:

"a certain parcel of land, with the buildings thereon, and all the rights, privileges and appurtenances thereunto appertaining or belonging, lying near Four Corners, so-called, in said Palmer, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a stone bound set in the ground at the intersection of the northerly line of the highway leading from Three Rivers to Thorndike with the easterly line of the highway leading from Bondsville to Palmer, and running thence on last named highway N 15° 18' W., one hundred fifty and 45/100 (150.45) feet to a stone bound at land formerly of Sarah Witkin et als, now believed to be one Nietupski; thence N 71° 38' E., along last named land one hundred ten and 50/100 (110.50) feet to an iron pin in the westerly line of land of Charles and Margaret Marcinek, conveyed to them by deed of Zofia Motyka dated August 11, 1922 and recorded with Hampden County Deeds, Book 1146, Page 153; thence S 16° 34' E, along last named land one hundred forty-

seven and 44/100 (147.44) feet to an iron pin in the northerly line of said highway leading from Three Rivers to Thorndike; thence S 70° 10' W, along the northerly line of said highway one hundred fourteen (114) feet to the place of beginning.

ARTICLE 6. Voters approved amending the official Zoning Map of the Town of Palmer as previously amended by changing from Village High Density Residential to General Business the following described parcel of land:

"the land in said Palmer lying on the westerly side of Thorndike Street beginning at the northeasterly side of property of the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority (interchange of the Turnpike) and going southerly along Thorndike Street to the property of and including that of Nu Way Installment Company Inc. for a depth of two hundred and thirty-five feet (235).

ARTICLE 8. Voters approved amending the existing agreement between Palmer and Belchertown dated August 23, 1978 regarding the joint-use of portions of Palmer's sewerage system, and to authorize its Board of Selectmen to execute such amendments, the amendment to read as follows:

"Notwithstanding any provisions contained in this agreement to the contrary, Belchertown agrees not to allow any industrial user to discharge industrial waste into the sewerage system which is serviced by the Palmer Wastewater Treatment Facility unless all appropriate legal authority is in existence to enable enforcement of, and compliance with, the Palmer Pre-Treatment Program and any applicable local, state and federal laws, order, rules or regulations relative thereto."

ARTICLE 9. Voters approved amending the existing agreement between Palmer and Monson dated June 14, 1974 regarding the joint use of portions of Palmer's sewerage system, and to authorize its Board of Selectmen to execute such amendments, the amendment to read as follows:

"Notwithstanding any provisions contained in this agreement to the contrary, or in any amendments thereto to the contrary, the parties agree that Monson shall enforce any violations of its Sewer Use Rules and Regulations by any of its industrial users. Such enforcement shall occur immediately upon notification that any alleged violations have occurred. In the event Monson fails to take such enforcement action, the parties agree that Palmer, acting as an agent for Monson, shall enforce Monson's Sewer Use Rules and Regulations against any industrial user of the Town of Monson which commits any such violation. The parties agree that in the event Palmer is required to seek such enforcement, Palmer may take whatever legal action is necessary, including legal action seeking fines, penalties and injunctive relief.

It is further agreed between the parties that Palmer shall have the authority to sample, monitor, administer and enforce industrial pretreatment requirements within the Town of Monson. Palmer shall also be responsible for the day-to-day operations of the pretreatment program, including but not limited to, the issuing of permits and sampling of wastewater."

It is further agreed between the parties to make the following changes to the Agreement:

Delete from Sections F.1(a) and F.1(a) (4) " . . . excepting services directly related to treatment of industrial waste." and add " . . . including services directly related to administration and enforcement of the Town's Pretreatment Program." to the same two Sections. Delete from Section C.5 the last sentence which begins "Permits for discharge . . ."

ARTICLE 10. Voters approved acquiring by eminent domain, for sewer and drain purposes a fee simple interest in and to a certain parcel of land in the Town, with any buildings thereon, bounded and described as follows:

A certain parcel of land in Palmer, Hampden County, Massachusetts on the westerly side of Flynt Street, bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at an iron pin at the intersection of the westerly side of said Flynt Street and northeasterly side of the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority and running thence.

N 32°-50'-30" W 167.73 feet along said Massachusetts Turnpike Authority to a point; thence turning and running

N 87°-20'-00" E 84.31 feet along said last named land to a point; thence turning and running

S 2°-40'-00" W 145.00 feet along the westerly side of Flynt Street to the POINT OF BEGINNING

Containing about 6,112 square feet.

Being a portion of the premises conveyed to Arthur L. Biron and recorded in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds Book 3273, Page 106

and that funds for this acquisition be paid from the \$1.5 million borrowing approved under Article 2 of the Special Town Meeting held on June 24, 1986.

ARTICLE 11. Voters approved acquiring by gift or eminent domain, for sewer and drain purposes, easements, including the right to lay and construct a sewer or drain with all necessary manholes and appurtenances, in and through the land hereinafter described, together with the right to enter upon said land and inspect, repair, reconstruct, improve and maintain said drain and sewer;

said easement shall contain four (4) parcels and shall be as shown on a plan entitled "Plan of Easements for Sewer System Improvements, Lake Thompson Area, Town of Palmer, Mass.", Tighe & Bond, Inc. Consulting Engineers, August 23, 1985, and is more clearly defined in a deed between John V. Boyle and Dino Jupis recorded in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds, Book 1496, Page 480, and designated on a plan entitled "Lake Thompson Lots" recorded in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds, Book of Plans M, Page 78.

ARTICLE 12. Voters approved acquiring by gift or eminent domain, for sewer and drain purposes, easements in certain land in said Town of Palmer, including the right to lay and construct a sewer or drain with all necessary manholes and appurtenances, in and through the land hereinafter described, together with the right to enter upon said land and inspect, repair, reconstruct, improve and maintain said drain and sewer:

Said easements shall be as shown on a plan entitled "Plan of Easement for Sewer System Improvements Lake Thompson Area, Town of Palmer, Massachusetts" Tighe & Bond, Inc., Consulting Engineers, dated August 26, 1986, and shall contain two parcels.

Parcel No. 1 shall be twenty (20) feet in width and being ten (10) feet on either side of the hereinafter centerline.

Said easement centerline beginning at a point 20 feet west of an iron pin located at the southwesterly corner of Lot 9B thence running N-41°-08'-00" E, a distance of one hundred and five (105) feet and containing approximately 2,100 square feet.

Parcel No. 2 is more clearly defined in a deed between Charles O. Murphy and Leon I. Turcotte recorded in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds, Book 1755, page 459 and shall be twenty (20) feet in width and being ten (10) feet on either side of the hereafter centerline.

Said easement centerline beginning at a point ten (10) feet southwest of an iron pin located at the southwesterly corner of lot 7A thence running S-47°-30'-00" E, a distance of one hundred and fifty (150) feet and containing approximately 3,000 square feet.

ARTICLE 13. Voters accepted as a gift from the Palmer Redevelopment Authority a certain parcel of real estate in Bondsville (Palmer), Massachusetts, more particularly bounded and described as follows:

Land in the Bondsville Section of the Town of Palmer, Hampden County, Massachusetts, as shown on a plan recorded in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds in Book of Plans 215, Pages 28 and 29; said plan is entitled "PLAN OF LAND IN PALMER, MASSACHUSETTS FOR PALMER REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY TO BE CONVEYED TO SCALE: 1" = 100" NOVEMBER 21, 1983 tec Tibbetts Engineering Corp., 210 Deane Street, New Bedford, Massachusetts"; said land is designated as "OPEN SPACE LAND" 1.24 ± ACRES" on said Plan; more particularly bounded and described as follows:

BOUNDED:

- SOUTHEASTERLY by Main Street, Two Hundred Forty and 00/100 (240.00) feet;
- SOUTHERLY by land now or formerly of the Town of Palmer, One Hundred Forty and 00/100 (140.00) feet;
- SOUTHEASTERLY by said land now or formerly of the Town of Palmer Ninety-Three and 00/100 (93.00 ±), feet, more or less;
- SOUTHERLY by said land now or formerly of the Town of Palmer and Depot Street, Twelve and 00/100 (12.00 ±) feet, more or less;
- WESTERLY and SOUTHWESTERLY by an irregular line designated as "TOP OF BANK" along the Swift River, as shown on said plan, Five Hundred Sixty and 00/100 (560.00 ±) feet, more or less;
- NORTHEASTERLY by Lot 16, as shown on said plan, Three Hundred Thirty-Five (335.00 ±) feet, more or less.

Said parcel shall be used for recreational purposes only and shall be maintained under the jurisdiction of the Town of Palmer Park Department.

ARTICLE 14. Voters approved transferring \$1,500 from Free Cash for the preparation of an application for an Aquifer Land Acquisition Program Grant.

October 27, 1986:

ARTICLE 2. Voters approved transferring \$155,465 from Free Cash to adjust the salaries of the following departments: Selectmen's Clerical — \$4,865, Accountant's Clerical — \$3,861, Treasurer's Clerical — \$3,837, Collector's Clerical — \$3,467, Wastewater Treatment Plant Dept. — \$9,405, Town Clerk's Clerical — \$940, Assessor's Clerical — \$2,999, Zoning Assistant — \$2,484, Parks Department — \$11,795, Police Department — \$81,611, Highway Department — \$22,214, Cemetery Dept. — \$5,283.



ARTICLE 3. Voters approved transferring \$5,000 from Free Cash to provide funds for reimbursement of damages suffered by water run-off on Main St., Precinct A.

ARTICLE 4. Voters approved raising and appropriating \$28,000 to supplement the Sanitary Landfill-Contracted Services Account.

ARTICLE 5. Voters approved transferring \$40,750 from Free Cash for contractual services for a complete mapping of the Town, this amount representing one of two payments one of which will be paid in Fiscal Year 1987 and the other in Fiscal Year 1988, in accordance with the Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 7, Clause 18.

ARTICLE 6. Voters approved transferring \$59,300 from Free Cash to cover the cost of a complete property revaluation of the Town for Fiscal Year 1987 as required under Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 59, Section 38.

ARTICLE 7. Voters approved transferring \$35,595 from Free Cash for "construction, reconstruction and improvement including surface treatments so-called" on all approved public ways which qualify under the State Aid Highway guidelines adopted by the Public Work's Commission, said monies to be reimbursed by the Commonwealth through an allocation to the Town under Chapter 732 of the Acts of 1981 and restored upon their receipt to available funds in the Treasury.

ARTICLE 8. Voters approved raising and appropriating \$4,000 to supplement the Consulting Engineers Account.

ARTICLE 9. Voters approved authorizing the Board of Selectmen to file a home rule petition with the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, said petition to read as follows:

Section 1. The Town of Palmer is hereby authorized to appropriate and expend money from a certain Council on Aging Grant for the payment of, and, after such appropriation the Treasurer of said Town is authorized to pay to Robert Murray the sum of \$4,512.00 for the reconstruction work in the Senior Center, Memorial Hall in said Town during the fiscal year 1986 notwithstanding the failure of said Town to comply with the provisions of Section 39M of Chapter 30 of the General Laws or any other applicable provision of law.

Section 2. No bill shall be approved by the Town Accountant of said Town or paid by the Treasurer thereof under authority of this act unless and until a certificate has been signed and filed with said Town Accountant stating under the penalties of perjury that said reconstruction work has actually been performed and completed by the said Robert Murray.

Section 3. Any person who knowingly files a certificate required by Section Two, which is false, and who thereby receives payment for said legal expenses which have not been incurred and paid shall be imprisoned for not more than one year or by a fine of not more than three hundred dollars or both.

ARTICLE 10. Voters approved accepting Chapter 640 of the Acts of 1985 which permits the Town to pass a by-law denying any application for or revoking or suspending any local license or permit including renewals and transfers issued by any Board, Officer, Department for any person, Corporation or Business Enterprise who has neglected or refused to pay any local taxes, fees, assessments, betterments or other municipal charges; and to hereby adopt such by-law with the language provided for in Sections a, b, c, and d of said Chapter 640 of the Acts of 1985.



ARTICLE 11. Voters approved accepting an Equal Education Opportunity Grant for Fiscal Year 1987 in the amount of \$62,162 under the provisions of General Laws Chapter 70A, Section 5, as inserted by Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1985. Said Grant shall be expended by the School Committee for direct service expenditures.

ARTICLE 12. Voters approved increasing the limit for the bid minimum to \$4,000 as provided for in General Laws Chapter 40, Section 4G.

ARTICLE 14. Voters approved authorizing the Board of Selectmen to file a home rule petition with the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, said petition to read as follows:

Section 1. The Town of Palmer may, by a majority vote at an Annual or Special Town Meeting, abandon and otherwise discontinue public use of the following Town Ways:

1. Brown Road, from Rondeau Road, northerly to the Ware-Palmer Town line.
2. Mountain Road, from the intersection of Gates Street, Old Warren Road, and Mountain Road, northerly to Rondeau Road.
3. A section of Olney Road beginning fifty feet southerly of the former Olney house, then southerly to the intersection of Mountain Road with Olney Road.
4. Tavern Road, from Brown Road, to the intersection of Tavern Road with Bacon Road.
5. A section of St. John Road beginning at a point 100 feet south of Four Corners (the intersection of St. John Road with Rondeau Road) then northerly to Bacon Road including the Y fork at the Bacon Road intersection.
6. A section of Rondeau Road (a/k/a Shaw Road) beginning at a point on Rondeau Road near the easterly side of the house located on the Camilleri's land (#4), then northeasterly to the westerly boundary of land owned by R. J. Fijol (#18).
7. The McMaster Road, an old road beginning on the south side of the Old Warren Road at a point easterly of the intersection of St. John Road with Old Warren Road and running southeasterly to the State highway #67 close by the house of Harry Johnson, whose house is located north of the Mass. Turnpike.

Section 2. Upon the passage of said Town Meeting vote, ownership of the abandoned Town ways shall vest in fee simple ownership in the Town of Palmer. No ownership rights of any nature shall vest in any of the abutters to the Town ways.

Section 3. Control of the abandoned Town ways shall be within the exclusive jurisdiction of the Conservation Commission of the Town of Palmer.

Section 4. The Conservation Commission shall have the authority to adopt rules and regulations for the use as recreational ways of said abandoned ways, including, but not limited to regulating the type of use and access by motor vehicles, if any, together with the direction and time of such use, including the use and access by any and all abutters.

Section 5. The Conservation Commission shall have the authority to receive and expend Town funds for the maintenance of said abandoned Town ways for recreational purposes.

Section 6. If any provision of this act or the application of such provision to any person or circumstances shall be held invalid, the validity of the remainder of this act and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

Section 7. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

ARTICLE 15. Voters approved amending the Zoning Map of the Town of Palmer dated June 15, 1981, as amended, by changing the designation thereon of the following described parcel of real estate from "Village High Density Residential (R-30)" to "General Business (GB)":

The land in the Depot Village of Palmer, Massachusetts bounded and described as follows:

A certain tract of land situate on the southerly side of North Main Street beginning at a stone bound at the northwesterly corner of land now or formerly of Charles F. Grosvenor, and thence running southerly along land now or formerly of said Grosvenor one hundred and five (105) feet, more or less, to the northerly location line of the Ware River Branch of the Boston & Albany Railroad; thence northwesterly along said last named land about ninety (90) feet to land now or formerly of M. Rachel Doyle, formerly M. Rachel Holbrook; thence northerly along line of land now or formerly of said Doyle one hundred and three (103) feet, more or less, to said southerly line of North Main Street; thence easterly ninety (90) feet to the place of beginning.

ARTICLE 16. Voters approved amending the Zoning Map of the Town of Palmer dated June 15, 1981, as amended, by changing the designation thereon of the following described parcel of land from "Village High Density Residential" to "General Business":

Beginning at the Easterly corner of land now or formerly of one James K. Childs; thence running in a line parallel with the land formerly of the New London Northern Railroad (now of Central Vermont Railroad Company) one (1) rod distant therefrom for a distance of four (4) rods;

thence SOUTHWESTERLY by land now or formerly of one Alonzo N. Dewey eight (8) rods to a stake;

thence NORTHWESTERLY on line of said land now or formerly of one Alonzo N. Dewey, four (4) rods to the south corner of land now or formerly of said James K. Childs;

thence NORTHEASTERLY on said land now or formerly of one James K. Childs eight (8) rods. Containing thirty-two (32) rods of land, more or less.

said premises are commonly known as #103 Water Street, Palmer, Massachusetts.

ARTICLE 17. Voters approved amending the Zoning Map of the Town of Palmer dated June 15, 1981, as amended, by changing the designation thereon of the following described parcel of land from "Agricultural/Low Density Residential" to "General Business":

The land in Palmer, in the County of Hampden and Commonwealth of Massachusetts bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the intersection of the southerly location line of the Boston & Albany Railroad with the westerly line of the Brimfield Road at Colley's Bridge, so-called; thence

SOUTHEASTERLY along said Brimfield Road to the Quaboag River; thence

SOUTHWESTERLY AND WESTERLY along the Quaboag River to land formerly of Margaret O'Neil; thence

NORTHERLY along last named land to the southerly location line of the Boston & Albany Railroad; thence

EASTERLY along said southerly location line of the Boston & Albany Railroad to the place of beginning.

ARTICLE 18. Voters approved amending the Zoning By-Laws of the Town of Palmer by deleting "and two family dwellings" under Section 8.04 Agricultural/Low Density Residential District — "A. Uses permitted: 1. one and two family dwellings." The proposed by-law will read: "A. Uses permitted: 1. one family dwellings".

ARTICLE 19. Voters approved amending the Zoning By-Laws of the Town of Palmer by repealing Section 1.08 and inserting in place thereof the following:

"1.08 — "Special Permits" certain uses, structures or conditions are designated as requiring special permits in section 8.00 and elsewhere in these by-laws.

- a. Petitions for special permits shall be submitted and reviewed by the Special Permit Granting Authority. Any other town agency which desires to make recommendations shall do so at the public hearing of the Special Permit Granting Authority on said petition. Such recommendations shall be advisory only and the final decision on the granting or denial of a special permit shall rest with the SPGA.
- b. Before granting a special permit the SPGA shall find that the petitioner has reasonably fulfilled the following conditions:
  1. Off-street parking spaces shall be provided in an amount sufficient to serve the proposed use and shall be located upon the property so as to provide safe and convenient access. A minimum of two parking spaces shall be provided for each dwelling unit regarding proposed residential uses. Each delineated parking space shall be at least 9 ft. x 18 ft. in size. Parking areas shall be adequately drained and have a surface as approved by the SPGA.
  2. The property shall provide convenient and safe access to and from the site for both vehicular and pedestrian traffic.
  3. The proposed use will not overload any public water, drainage or sewer system. In the event private sewer systems are proposed for the site, the system shall be adequate to handle the drainage and the sewerage from the proposed use.
  4. The site shall be adequately landscaped so as to achieve reasonable compatibility with the adjoining parcels of land.
  5. The proposed use will not substantially deviate from the integrity and character of the zoning district wherein the property is situated.
  6. The SPGA may also impose conditions as it finds reasonably appropriate to safeguard the neighborhood, including but not limited to the following: front, side or rear yards greater than required by the by-laws; screening buffers or planting strips or fences; method and time of operation; regulation of the number and location of driveways, or other traffic features; and off-street parking and loading or other special features beyond the minimum required by these by-laws.

## ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

April 28, 1986

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Palmer qualified to vote in town affairs, held at Palmer High School on Converse Street on the twenty-eighth day of April 1986, a Monday, at seven o'clock in the evening, the following business was transacted, viz:

Meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM. A quorum not being present, the meeting was postponed until May 19, 1986, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:08 PM.

Meeting was reconvened on May 19, 1986, at 7:00 PM by the Moderator.

After a partial reading of the warrant calling the meeting, it was voted to dispense with further reading of it and take up Article 1.

ARTICLE 1. VOTED: To choose all usual Town Officers.

ARTICLE 2. VOTED: To hear and act on reports of all officers and committees whose duties require them to report in said meeting.

ARTICLE 3. VOTED: That the compensation for elected Town Officers for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1986, to June 30, 1987, be fixed as follows:

Moderator	\$ 159
Selectmen	2,226 ea.
Treasurer	21,517
Tax Collector	21,517
Town Clerk	21,517
(all fees revert to Town Treasury)	
Assessors	2,120 ea.
License Commission Members	No Salary
Planning Board Members	No Salary
Palmer Redevelopment Authority Members	No Salary
Board of Health Members	1,060 ea.
School Committee Members	No Salary
Pathfinder Regional Vocational- Technical High School District Committee Members	No Salary
Park Commission Members	No Salary
Cemetery Commission Members	No Salary
Palmer Housing Authority Members	No Salary

ARTICLE 4. VOTED: That the Treasurer be, and she is hereby authorized, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning July 1, 1986, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

ARTICLE 5. VOTED: as amended: That the Treasurer be, and she is hereby authorized, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money, as permitted by law to meet any appropriations made or expenses incurred under any article of the Warrant. To see whether the Town will authorize the Treasurer (collector) to enter into compensating balance agreements during fiscal 1987, as permitted by General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53F.

ARTICLE 6. VOTED: That the Selectmen be, and they are hereby authorized to sell at public auction, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place in Town, and by advertising once in a local newspaper, fourteen days at least before the sale, any old and obsolete equip-



ment or personal property, provided that the Selectmen or whosoever they may authorize to hold such auction or sale may reject any bid which they deem inadequate.

ARTICLE 7. VOTED: That the Selectmen be, and they are hereby authorized to sell at public auction, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place in the Town, and by advertising once in a local newspaper, fourteen days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town under Tax Title procedure, provided that the Selectmen or whosoever they may authorize to hold such auction may reject any bid which they deem inadequate.

ARTICLE 8. VOTED: That the sum of \$225,000 be transferred from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds, P.L. 92-512, to the Police Salaries Account.

ARTICLE 9. VOTED: That the sum of \$70,000 be transferred from the Overlay Reserve Account for the Reserve Fund.

ARTICLE 10. VOTED: That the sum of \$5,694.50 be transferred from the State Aide to Free Libraries Account to the Palmer Public Library.

ARTICLE 11. VOTED: That action under Article 11 be indefinitely postponed.

ARTICLE 12. VOTED: That the sum of \$1,800.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the expenses of the Palmer Midget Baseball League.

ARTICLE 13. VOTED: That the sum of \$1,800.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the expenses of the Palmer Cowboy Football Team.

ARTICLE 14. VOTED: That the sum of \$1,800.00 be raised and appropriated to defray the expenses of the Palmer Lil' Girls Softball League.

ARTICLE 15. VOTED: That the sum of \$1,500.00 be transferred from the Sale of Cemetery Lots Account to the Cemetery Other Expense Account.

ARTICLE 16. VOTED: That the sum of \$4,500.00 be raised and appropriated to provide community mental health and social services through Valley Human Services, Inc. to the residents of the Town of Palmer.

ARTICLE 17. VOTED: That the sum of \$49,820.00 be transferred from available funds in the Treasury for "construction, reconstruction, and improvement including surface treatments so-called" on all approved public ways which qualify under the State Aide Highway guidelines adopted by the Public Works Commission, said monies to be reimbursed by the Commonwealth through an allocation to the Town under Chapter 140 of the Acts of 1985 and restored upon their receipt to available funds in the Treasury.

ARTICLE 18. VOTED: That the sum of \$9,550.00 be raised and appropriated to conduct an examination of the books and records of the Town of Palmer for the period, July 1, 1985 through June 30, 1986 in compliance with Federal Revenue Sharing Regulations and in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards.

ARTICLE 19. VOTED: That the sum of \$15,150.00 be raised and appropriated for the removal of trees and brush, excavation of stumps, ledge blasting and graveling of Mason Street, now called Peterson Street from Old Warren Road.

ARTICLE 20. VOTED: That action under Article 20 be indefinitely postponed.

ARTICLE 21. VOTED: That the sum of \$6,500.00 be raised and appropriated to codify and publish the general and permanent administrative and regulatory by-laws, the Charter, Zoning Regulations, Subdivision Regulations and the Personnel Rules and Regulations of the Town of Palmer.



ARTICLE 22. VOTED: That the sum of \$3,500.00 be raised and appropriated for the construction of a ramp for use by handicapped persons at the Town Administration Building.

ARTICLE 23. VOTED: That the sum of \$76.00 be raised and appropriated to install, maintain and otherwise provide a street light at the intersection of Shearer Street and North Main Street, Precinct A.

ARTICLE 24. VOTED: That the sum of \$30,590.00 be raised and appropriated to fund contractual services and operating expenses, said operating expenses not to include wages or salaries provided to the Community Development Block Grant Program by third parties. The contracts for any such contractual services shall first be approved by the Board of Selectmen. Any disbursements of the funds herein appropriated whether for contractual services or for operating expenses shall first be approved by the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 25. VOTED: That the Town repeal section 3.00, sub-sections 3.01, 3.02 and 3.03 of the Palmer Zoning By-Laws and insert in place thereof the following: (see warrant)

ARTICLE 26. VOTED: That the following sums of money be raised and appropriated to defray the expenses of the Town for the fiscal year 1987:

<b>1. MODERATOR SALARY</b>		<b>159</b>
<b>SELECTMEN'S DEPARTMENT:</b>		
2. Salaries	6,678	
3. Clerical	6,154	
4. Other Expenses	13,316	
5. Contingent Account	<u>900</u>	27,048
<b>ACCOUNTANT'S DEPARTMENT:</b>		
6. Salary of Town Accountant/ Exec. Secr.	24,253	
7. Clerical	10,076	
8. Other Expenses	<u>977</u>	35,306
<b>TREASURER:</b>		
9. Salary	21,517	
10. Clerical	17,873	
11. Other Expenses	<u>15,350</u>	54,740
<b>COLLECTOR:</b>		
12. Salary	21,517	
13. Clerical	23,573	
14. Other Expenses	<u>12,580</u>	57,670
<b>TOWN CLERK:</b>		
15. Salary/Clerk, Bd. of Registrars	21,867	
16. Clerical	13,002	
17. Other Expenses	<u>4,000</u>	38,869

**ELECTION & REGISTRATION:**

18. Registrars' Salaries	2,836	
19. Other Expenses	<u>19,380</u>	22,216

**ASSESSORS:**

20. Salaries	6,360	
21. Clerical	23,618	
22. Other Expenses	9,450	
23. Contracted Services - Revaluation of Properties	<u>20,000</u>	59,428

**LAW AND CLAIMS:**

24. Salary of Town Counsel	4,675	
25. Other Expenses	2,000	
26. Special Legal Services	<u>2,000</u>	8,675

**LICENSE COMMISSIONERS:**

27. Salary of Clerk	371	
28. Expenses	<u>1,050</u>	1,421

**MEMORIAL HALL:**

29. Salary of Custodian	3,999	
30. Other Expenses	<u>4,610</u>	8,609

**PALMER TOWN BUILDING:**

31. Salary of Custodian	5,943	
32. Other Expenses	<u>19,595</u>	25,538

**ENGINEERING:**

33. Town Engineer's Salary	7,012	
34. Consulting Engineer	<u>4,000</u>	11,012

**FINANCE:**

35. Salary of Recording Secretary	636	
36. Salary of Clerk	1,221	
37. Other Expenses	<u>3,285</u>	5,142

**PLANNING BOARD:**

38. Salary of Administrative Assistant to Zoning Boards	11,881	
39. Other Expenses	<u>5,450</u>	17,331

**BOARD OF APPEALS:**

40. Recording Secretary	318	
41. Expenses	<u>1,175</u>	1,493

**PERSONNEL BOARD:**

42. Expenses		185
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**COUNCIL ON AGING:**

43. Director's Salary	11,725	
44. Drivers	10,861	
45. Expenses	<u>2,846</u>	25,432

**PALMER REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY:**

46. Expenses		<u>1,850</u>
TOTAL FOR GENERAL GOVERNMENT		402,124

**PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY****POLICE DEPARTMENT:**

47. Salaries	482,584	
Less: Transfer from F.R.S.	<u>225,000</u>	
To be raised by Taxation	257,584	
48. Other Expenses	43,069	
49. Cruisers	23,000	
50. Equipment	<u>13,000</u>	336,653

**AUXILIARY POLICE:**

51. Expenses		1,400
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**CIVIL DEFENSE:**

52. Salary	600	
53. Expenses	<u>100</u>	700

**FOREST WARDEN:**

54. Salary	2,748	
55. Other Expenses	3,295	
56. Out-of-District Fires	<u>2,000</u>	8,043

**FORESTRY DEPARTMENT:**

57. Labor	1,168	
58. Other Expenses	6,800	
59. Dutch Elm Disease	4,793	
60. Insect Pest Control	<u>1,500</u>	14,261

**SEALER:**

61. Salary	1,908	
62. Other Expenses	<u>875</u>	2,783

**DOG OFFICER:**

63. Salary	1,832	
64. Other Expenses	<u>8,630</u>	10,462

**GAS INSPECTOR:**

65. Salary and Expenses		376
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66. TOWN FIRE ENGINEERS:		175
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**CONSERVATION COMMISSION:**

67. Clerical	318	
68. Expenses	<u>900</u>	1,218

**WIRE INSPECTOR:**

69. Salary and Expenses		1,560
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**HISTORICAL COMMISSION:**

70. Expenses		700
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**BUILDING INSPECTOR:**

71. Salary and Expenses		5,500
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**PARKING CLERK:**

72. Expenses		1,000
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**RENT CONTROL BOARD:**

73. Expenses		200
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TOTAL FOR PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY		385,031
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**HEALTH AND SANITATION****BOARD OF HEALTH:**

74. Salaries	3,180	
75. Health Agent's Salary	1,466	
76. Other Expenses	<u>8,026</u>	12,672

**MILK INSPECTION:**

77. Salary and Expenses		453
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**ANIMAL INSPECTION:**

78. Salary and Expenses		1,168
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79. VITAL STATISTICS:		500
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80. PALMER VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION:		14,500
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**PLUMBING INSPECTOR:**

81. Salary and Expenses		1,500
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82. HOME CARE CORPORATION:		1,200
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**SANITARY LANDFILL:**

83. Salary of Caretaker	12,016	
84. Contracted Services	60,000	
85. Other Expenses	<u>1,600</u>	73,616

86. SEWER TRUNKMAIN CLEANING:		3,000
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87. GENERAL SEWER MAINTENANCE:		13,200
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**WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT:**

88. Salaries	176,395	
89. Expenses	324,500	
90. Equipment	<u>29,700</u>	530,595

TOTAL FOR HEALTH AND SANITATION		<u>652,404</u>
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**HIGHWAYS**

**HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:**

91. Salaries	254,089	
92. General Highway Maint.	66,015	
93. Street Signs & Traffic Regulations	5,900	
94. Highway Equipment & Repairs	7,730	
95. Maintenance of Railroad Crossings	2,850	
96. Bridge Maintenance	100	
97. General Sidewalk Maint.	4,000	
98. Surface Treatment	36,520	
99. Snow Removal	38,000	
100. Street Lighting	<u>80,000</u>	
TOTAL FOR HIGHWAYS		495,204

**VETERANS' DEPARTMENT**

**VETERANS**

101. Veterans' Agent Salary	5,932
102. Veterans' Benefits	43,250
103. Veterans' Other Expenses	1,850

TOTAL FOR VETERANS' DEPARTMENT	<u>51,032</u>
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## EDUCATION AND LIBRARIES

104. PUBLIC SCHOOLS - SUPPORT AND MAINTENANCE		4,988,900
105. PATHFINDER REGIONAL VOCATIONAL - TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT		599,459
106. PALMER PUBLIC LIBRARY	196,211.50	
Less: Transfer from State		
Aid to Free Public Libraries	<u>5,694.50</u>	
To be raised by Taxation		190,517
(note: Total Library appropriation will be 196,211.50)		
TOTAL FOR EDUCATION AND LIBRARIES		<u>5,778,876</u>

## PARKS, RECREATION AND CELEBRATIONS

### PARKS:

107. Salaries	100,167	
108. Equipment	11,500	
109. Other Expenses	17,550	
110. Pee Wee Park Maintenance	<u>1,600</u>	130,817
111. NICK LAVIOLETTE PARK:		1,600

### RECREATION:

112. Salaries	16,587	
113. Other Expenses	<u>11,125</u>	27,712
114. MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE:		2,500

TOTAL FOR PARKS, RECREATION & CELEBRATIONS		<u>162,629</u>
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## CEMETERIES

### CEMETERIES:

115. Labor		39,997
116. Salary of Secretary		2,360
117. Other Expenses	7,985	
Less: Transfer from sale of Cemetery Lots Acct.	<u>1,500</u>	
To be raised by Taxation		6,485
118. Equipment		5,300
TOTAL FOR CEMETERIES		<u>54,142</u>

## PENSIONS

119. COUNTY RETIREMENT ASSESSMENT:	235,612
120. RETIREMENT, Leo J. Santucci	22,694
121. RETIREMENT, Stanley J. Strzeminski	8,704

TOTAL FOR PENSIONS	<u>267,010</u>
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## INSURANCE

### INSURANCE:

122. General Insurance	220,688
123. Blue Cross/Blue Shield	103,000
124. Group Life Insurance	2,550
125. Unemployment	<u>15,000</u>

#### TOTAL FOR INSURANCE

341,238

## UNCLASSIFIED

### 126. TOWN REPORTS:

4,000

#### TOTAL FOR UNCLASSIFIED

4,000

## INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT

### INTEREST:

127. Tax Anticipation Note	10,000
128. Three Rivers Flood Control	1,100
129. Palmer Industrial Park Urban Renewal	44,250
130. Wastewater Treatment Facilities	87,500
131. Abated Taxes	2,000
132. Purchase & Renovation of New Library Building	1,925
133. Calkins Rd. Sewer Project	14,000
134. Lake Thompson Sewer project	<u>23,600</u>

#### TOTAL INTEREST

184,375

### PRINCIPAL:

135. Three Rivers Flood Control	5,000
136. Palmer Industrial Park Urban Renewal	130,000
137. Wastewater Treatment Facilities	85,500
138. Renovation of Library	30,000
139. Purchase of Library	10,000
140. Calkins Rd. Sewer Project	<u>10,000</u>

#### TOTAL PRINCIPAL

270,500

#### TOTAL - ARTICLE 26

9,048,565

ARTICLE 27. VOTED: To choose committees and give them instructions.

**VOTED:** To adjourn the meeting and dissolve the warrant. (9:06 PM)

a true copy

Town Clerk

## REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

In accordance with Chapter 41, Section 61 of the Massachusetts General Laws, I hereby submit the following financial statements for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1986:

- Balance Sheet - General Accounts
- Balance Sheet - Debt Accounts
- Balance Sheet - Trust and Investments
- Statement of Cash Receipts
- Statement of Cash Disbursements
- Statement of Appropriations, Expenditures and Balances
- Statement of Bonded Indebtedness
- Statement of Federal Revenue Sharing Funds
- Statement of Reserve Account Transfers

In accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 59, Section 23 as amended, the Director of Accounts, Department of Revenue, certified that the amount of available funds for "free cash" as of July 1, 1986 for the Town of Palmer was \$846,124.

I wish to express appreciation to my office staff, the Board of Selectmen, officials and personnel of all Town Departments and Committees for their assistance and cooperation throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol A. Sugrue  
Town Accountant

**TOWN OF PALMER, MASSACHUSETTS**  
**BALANCE SHEET — JUNE 30, 1986**  
**GENERAL ACCOUNTS**

ASSETS		LIABILITIES AND RESERVES	
CASH: IN BANKS:	Revenue Cash	TEMPORARY LOANS:	
	1,406,416.26	ANTICIPATION OF REVENUE	600,000.00
TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS:	Revenue Cash	ANTICIPATION OF FEDERAL AND	
	1,896,317.51	STATE GRANTS:	
	Non-Revenue Cash	Water Pollution Control Project	438,000.00
	570,658.95		
FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING	Federal Revenue Sharing	ANTICIPATION OF SERIAL LOANS:	
	139,875.76	Street Sewer Improvement	500,000.00
		Project	
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE:			
TAXES:	FY-1983 Levy:	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS:	
	Personal Property	County Retirement	9,221.48
	652.90	Group Health Insurance	21,468.15
	FY-1984 Levy:	Group Life Insurance	829.86
	Real Estate		
	319.44	WARRANTS PAYABLE	261,168.44
	Personal		
	1,256.00		
	FY-1985 Levy:	OVERPAYMENTS TO BE REFUNDED:	
	Real Estate	Group Life Insurance	2,919.00
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE:	Personal Property	Health Insurance Refund	527.00
	31,859.72		
	FY-1986 Levy:		
	Real Estate		
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE:	Personal Property	AGENCY:	
	278,850.62	County-Dog License Fees	474.75
	9,888.80	Tax Title Redemption Due District	766.96
		District-Proceeds of Tax	11.50
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE:		Possession Sales	
		Police-Off Duty Work Detail	8,386.54
		TAILINGS:	
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE:		Unclaimed Checks	5,598.27

# ASSETS

## SEWER AND SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS:

### SEWER USER CHARGES:

FY-1985	497.00
FY-1986	32,350.00
Sewer Liens Added to FY86 Taxes	1,491.00
Committed Interest on Sewer User Fees Added to FY-85 Taxes	264.00
Committed Interest on Sewer User Fees Added to FY-86 Taxes	286.00

## TAX TITLES AND POSSESSIONS:

### Tax Titles Tax Possessions

95,554.29
717.94

## DEPARTMENTAL:

Selectmen	13,900.00
Veterans	1,334.54
Schools	655.00
Cemetery	3,483.39
Water Pollution Control- Cost Sharing	216,263.16
Conservation Fund Int.	4,142.25

## FEDERAL AND STATE GRANTS:

State Aided Street Sewer Improvement Project	509,230.00
Federal Aided Water Pollution Control Project	374,986.00
State Aided Water Pollution Control Project	63,865.00

# LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

## GIFTS AND BEQUESTS:

School Department	215.54
Council on Aging	72.48
Historical Commission	210.65
Local Arts Lottery Council	2,642.36
Police Department	480.00

## TRUST FUND INCOME:

Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	920.00
Fuller Fund for Parks and Schools	1,632.90

## FEDERAL GRANTS:

### General Federal Revenue Sharing Trust Fund

34,888.00

96,272.23

### Schools:

Professional Development Grant - Chapter 188	.55
PL 89-313, Title I	1,067.99
PL 94-142, Title VIB Chapter I	9,500.00
School Improvement Fund - Chapter 188	23,091.73
PL 85-864, Title 3	524.00
Equal Educational Opportunity Grant Chapter 188	507.43
PL 98-337, Title II	11,638.17
Mass. In-Service Grant	875.68
PL 94-142, Title VIB	.50
Word Processing Project Chapter II	17,658.66
	292.80
	13,797.00

948,081.00

3,621.03

2,552.90

139,875.76

78,954.51



# ASSETS

## DUE FROM STATE:

Urban Renewal Project  
Palmer Industrial Park

State Aid to Highways

Revenue, FY-1987

## LOANS AUTHORIZED:

Water Pollution Control  
Project

Street Sewer Improvement

595,822.85

56,974.00

9,410,331.00

235,150.00

1,648,000.00

1,883,150.00

# LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

## STATE GRANTS:

Hazardous Waste Facility Site

Safety Council, Technical

Assistance Grant - Water Study

Abutting Communities

Department of Elder Affairs,

Council on Aging

Transportation Bond Issue

Chapter 637 Acts of 1983

Energy Conservation Improvement

Project

Chapter 90 - Public Works

Economic Development Program-

Chapter 811 Acts of 1985-

Direct Grant

Small Cities Program Grant

150.00

2,450.00

5,498.16

109,791.48

.72

84,631.00

206,927.36

4,406.00

## REVOLVING FUNDS:

School Lunch

School Athletics

Adult Education

Mental Health Transportation

Right-to-Know Law

Anti - Trust Food Settlement

48,371.47

4,878.24

7,037.00

58,072.00

1,196.00

376.89

119,931.60

## APPROPRIATION CONTROL, FY-1987

9,465,845.50

## APPROPRIATION BALANCES:

Revenue

Non-Revenue

740,355.71

570,658.95

1,311,014.66

# ASSETS

UNPROVIDED FOR OR OVER-  
DRAWN ACCOUNTS  
Under Estimates - FY1986  
Chapter 766 - Special Educations

29.00

# LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

LOANS AUTHORIZED AND  
UNISSUED:

Water Pollution Control

Project

235,150.00

Street Sewer Improvement

Project

1,648,000.00 1,883,150.00

OVERESTIMATES:

County Tax FY1986

.24

SALE OF REAL ESTATE FUND

9,000.00

RESERVED FOR APPROPRIA-  
TION

Sale of Cemetery Lots

16,691.00

RESERVE FUND-OVERLAY SURPLUS

131,594.00

OVERLAYS RESERVED FOR

ABATEMENT

FY-1983 Levy

775.75

FY-1984 Levy

31,468.76\*

FY-1985 Levy

61,698.96\*

FY-1986 Levy

86,180.31

180,123.78

REVENUES RESERVED UNTIL COLLECTED:

Motor Vehicle Excise Tax

132,041.30

Tax Titles and Possessions

96,272.23

Departmental

235,636.09

State Aid to Highways

56,974.00

State Aided Urban Renewal

Assist. Grant-

Palmer Industrial Park

595,822.85

Sewer User Charge

34,888.00

State Aided Street Sewer

9,230.00

Improvement Project

1,160,864.47

ASSETS

17,735,280.57

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

SURPLUS REVENUE

1,175,761.81

17,735,280.57

\* Overlays remain open due to Appellate Court Cases

# DEBT ACCOUNTS

New Funded or Fixed Debt:			
Inside Debt Limit:			
General	322,000.00		55,000.00
Outside Debt Limit:			
General	1,994,600.00	267,000.00	322,000.00
	<u>2,316,600.00</u>		
Serial Loans:			
Inside Debt Limit:			
General:			
Palmer Public Library-			
Purchase and Renovation			
Project			
Street Sewer Improvement			
Project			
Outside Debt Limit:			
General:			
Local Flood Control		20,000.00	
Urban Renewal Project-		895,000.00	
Palmer Industrial Park			
Water Pollution			
Control Project		1,079,600.00	1,994,600.00
			<u>2,316,600.00</u>

# TRUST FUNDS AND INVESTMENTS

## ASSETS

Trust Funds and Investments:

Cash and Securities:

In Custody of Treasurer

328,717.98

328,717.98

## LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

In Custody of Treasurer:

Thompson Fund- Welfare

Merrick Fund-Schools

Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds

Inez Burleigh Fuller School Fund

Inez Burleigh Fuller Park Fund

Conservation Fund

Stabilization Fund

951.28

850.00

112,873.00

1,000.00

2,000.00

111,043.70

100,000.00

328,717.98



**STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS**  
**Year Ending June 30, 1986**

**TAXES-LOCAL**

Current Year's Levy:

Real Estate	3,404,733.28	
Personal Property	<u>256,342.00</u>	3,661,075.28

Prior Year's Levy:

Real Estate	1,916,664.67	
Personal Property	246,791.45	
Tax Title Redemption	<u>18,542.31</u>	2,181,998.43

Other Local Taxes

Motor Vehicle Excise	357,705.75	
Farm Animal Excise	985.25	
Trailer Coach Fees	<u>10,920.00</u>	369,611.00

**TOTAL TAXES-LOCAL**

**6,212,684.71**

**STATE SHARED TAXES**

Loss of Taxes and Abatements	65,781.61	
Education Basis	2,570,017.00	
Local Aid Fund-Lottery	431,373.00	
Local Aid-General Fund	<u>40,120.92</u>	

**TOTAL STATE SHARED TAXES**

**3,107,292.53**

**LICENSES:**

Alcoholic Beverages	15,255.00	
Licenses Issued by Selectmen	8,846.50	
Licenses Issued by Board of Health	2,515.00	
Gas Storage Permits & Renewals	<u>1,801.50</u>	

**TOTAL LICENSES**

**28,418.00**

**PERMITS:**

**32,994.00**

**FINES-COURT:**

**36,862.00**

**FEDERAL FUNDS:**

Transferred from Federal Revenue Sharing	240,000.00
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**SCHOOL FUNDS:**

School Lunch Program	81,321.46
Title VIB PL 94-142	
Proj. #240-168-0227-5	54,880.00
Chap. I Title I - ESEA	
Proj. #86-227-137	89,185.00
Title I 89-313	
Proj. #200-125-6-0227-5	9,513.75
Title II ESEA PL 98-337	
Improvement in Math & Science	1,617.00
Word Processing PL 94-482	
Proj. #400-091-6-0227-5	6,985.00
Chap. 188 - School Improvement	
Fund of Elementary Schools	9,670.00

Computer Tech. in Secondary Curriculum Proj. #380-161-6-0227-5	750.00	
Chap. 2 - Education Consolidation & Improvement Act of 1981	15,714.00	
Title VIB PL 94-142 Proj. #262-148-6-0227-5	9,500.00	
Chap. 188 - Equal Educational Opportunity Grant	25,494.00	
Chap. 188 - Professional Development Grant	<u>40,530.00</u>	

**TOTAL SCHOOL FUNDS**

345,160.21

**STATE FUNDS:**

School Lunch Program	28,313.19	
→ Library Aid	5,694.50	
→ Additional Aid-Public Libraries	3,302.00	
State Aid to Highways	156,119.00	
Reimbursement-Cost of Chemicals Palmer Water Pollution Control Facilities	11,124.00	
Department of Community Affairs - Palmer Industrial Park - Urban Renewal	85,117.55	
Local Aid - Arts Lottery	5,557.00	
Energy Conservation Improvement Program	5,459.50	
Secretary of Elder Affairs	3,852.00	
Chapter 90 Public Works Economic Development Proj. Chap. 811 Acts of 1985	84,631.00	
Chapter 90 Highway Construction	104,480.00	
Small Cities Program Grant	<u>239,520.00</u>	

**TOTAL STATE FUNDS**

733,169.74

**FEEES FOR CURRENT SERVICES:**

General Government		
Selectmen	4.00	
Board of Appeals	1,225.00	
Tax Collector	8,269.42	
Planning Board	1,498.50	
Assessors	<u>63.50</u>	11,060.42

Public Safety		
Conservation Comm.	227.00	
Police Department	3,026.22	
Sealer	2,530.00	
Dog Officer	<u>90.00</u>	5,873.22

**Health**

Sanitary Landfill		
Landfill Permits	1,485.00	
Waste Disposal	<u>29,551.50</u>	31,036.50

Wastewater Treatment		
Sewer User Fees	456,812.00	
Sewer Entrance Fees	5,590.00	
Other Receipts	<u>11,392.42</u>	473,794.42
Parks & Recreation		
Registration Fees		2,005.00
Parking Clerk		
Fines		2,345.00
Cemeteries		
Sale of Lots	1,920.00	
Open Graves	5,620.00	
Foundations	<u>1,528.33</u>	9,068.33
Schools		
School Lunch Program	114,875.51	
School Athletics	10,348.10	
Other Tuition	14,930.00	
Adult Education	1,905.00	
Miscellaneous	<u>345.25</u>	142,403.86
<b>TOTAL FEES FOR CURRENT SERVICES</b>		<b>677,586.75</b>
<b>REIMBURSEMENT FOR CURRENT SERVICES:</b>		
School Transportation	88,828.00	
County-Care & Disposing of Dogs	2,370.00	
Veterans' Services	12,143.91	
City of Springfield-Leo J. Santucci		
Pension	3,589.50	
Town of South Hadley-Leo J. Santucci		
Pension	2,752.77	
Cost of Living Reimbursement -		
Non - Contributory Pensions	<u>3,776.70</u>	
<b>TOTAL REIMBURSEMENT FOR CURRENT EXPENSES</b>		<b>113,460.88</b>
<b>UNCLASSIFIED:</b>		
Public Phone Commission	65.25	
Damage to Town Properties	6,272.81	
Diamond International Corp.-Share		
of Capital Cost-WPC Project	27,642.25	
Tailings	1,575.00	
Reimbursement - Hurricane Damage	<u>17,166.00</u>	
<b>TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED</b>		<b>52,721.31</b>
<b>INTEREST:</b>		
Certificates of Deposit	32,355.63	
Taxes and Assessments	17,757.44	
Sewer User Fees	2,599.22	
Investment Funds	44,479.59	
Trust Funds	6,839.53	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	11,482.98	
Conservation Fund	8,654.50	
Merrick Fund	69.66	
Thompson Fund	<u>77.98</u>	

Fuller Fund	245.92	
Diamond International Corp. -		
WPC Proj.-Cost Sharing Agreement	4,874.78	
Diamond International Corp.		
WPC Proj.-Cost Sharing Agreement		
Late Payment	<u>2,959.16</u>	
<b>TOTAL INTEREST</b>		132,396.39
<b>MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS:</b>		
Anticipation of Revenue Loan	2,100,000.00	
Anticipation of Federal & State		
Grants	938,000.00	
Anticipation of Serial Bond	<u>411,600.00</u>	
<b>TOTAL MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS</b>		3,449,600.00
<b>RENTAL-TOWN PROPERTIES</b>		14,900.00
<b>AGENCY:</b>		
Police-Off Duty Work Detail	43,084.26	
County Dog Licenses	5,971.50	
Tax Collector-Tax Payments	83,541.78	
Payroll Deductions		
Federal Taxes	624,801.52	
Mass. Taxes	236,516.29	
Group Life Ins.	4,669.20	
Group Health Ins.	173,973.43	
County Retirement	<u>98,232.41</u>	<u>1,138,192.85</u>
<b>TOTAL AGENCY</b>		1,270,790.39
<b>TRUST:</b>		
Cemetery Perpetual Care		2,850.00
<b>INVESTMENTS:</b>		
Certificates of Deposit	6,863,000.00	
Redemption of Trust Investments	1,220,350.00	
Government Investment Account	<u>2,666,036.60</u>	
<b>TOTAL INVESTMENTS</b>		10,749,386.60
<b>REFUNDS:</b>		
Credited to Appropriations		36,207.82
State Retirement Fund	<u>52.64</u>	
<b>TOTAL REFUNDS</b>		36,260.46
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>		27,236,533.97
Add Cash Balance, July 1, 1985		425,680.30
Add Warrants Payable		<u>261,168.44</u>
		27,923,382.71
Less: Cash Disbursements		<u>26,516,966.45</u>
Cash Balance, June 30, 1986		1,406,416.26

STATEMENT OF FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING FUNDS  
FY-1986

Entitlement No.	Balance July 1, 1985	Receipts Principal	FY-1986 Interest	Total	Expenditures FY-1986	Balance June 30, 1986
15	27,097.89	-0-	518.71	27,616.60	27,616.60	-0-
16	115,312.62	110,967.00	7,921.03	234,200.65	212,383.40	21,817.25
17	-0-	115,928.00	2,130.51	118,058.51	-0-	118,058.51
	142,410.51	226,895.00	10,570.25	379,875.76	240,000.00	139,875.76



**STATEMENT OF CASH DISBURSEMENTS**  
**Year Ending June 30, 1986**

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT**

**SELECTMEN:**

Board Salaries	6,300.00	
Selectmen's Clerical	4,719.95	
Office Expense & Supplies	859.97	
Postage	630.44	
Telephone	1,279.80	
Travel & Conference	2,281.62	
Town Meeting Expenses	295.90	
Warrant Expenses	44.00	
Copier Supplies & Rental	1,939.44	
Dues	949.00	
Contract Negotiations	3,698.36	
Service Contracts	703.00	
Miscellaneous	<u>129.02</u>	23,830.50

Energy Conservation Improvement Program: 8,464.50

**SELECTMEN'S CONTINGENT ACCOUNT:** 358.93

Audit of Municipal Accounts: 9,550.00

**TOWN ACCOUNTANT/EXECUTIVE SECRETARY:**

Salary	22,880.00	
Clerical	8,017.99	
Travel & Conferences	624.43	
Office Expense & Supplies	<u>877.29</u>	32,399.71

**TOWN TREASURER:**

Salary	20,299.00	
Clerical	16,359.36	
Telephone	470.93	
Office Expense & Supplies	1,730.33	
Maintenance of Office Equipment	45.00	
Travel	471.18	
Data Processing Service	3,987.80	
Surety Bond	405.00	
Stationery & Postage	2,333.71	
Tax Title Foreclosure	<u>10.00</u>	46,112.31

**TAX COLLECTOR:**

Salary	20,299.00	
Clerical	23,162.65	
Office Expense & Supplies	904.62	
Telephone	465.63	
Surety Bond	731.00	
Travel, Dues, Misc.	688.43	
Stationery & Postage	4,883.15	
Printing Tax Bills	1,994.74	
Tax Title Expense	302.00	
Postage Meter & Scale	629.00	
Micro Reader Equipment	30.00	
Computer Expense	1,148.43	
Maintenance of Equipment	<u>120.00</u>	55,358.65

**TOWN CLERK:**

Salary	20,649.00	
Clerical	12,300.00	
Telephone	696.53	
Office Expense & Supplies	926.97	
Stationery & Postage	234.19	
Bookbinding	954.45	
Travel	906.86	
Bond	35.00	
Fireproof File	1,250.00	
Miscellaneous	35.00	37,988.00

**ART. 20 - ATM 5/7/84**

State Census		300.00
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**ELECTION & REGISTRATION:**

Registrars' Salaries	2,675.00	
Election Officers	1,922.76	
Ballots	984.00	
Office Expense & Supplies	2,179.90	
Registration & Listing	1,172.00	
Street Lists	4,304.24	
Travel	50.10	13,288.00

**ASSESSORS:**

Board Salaries	6,000.00	
Clerical	22,315.00	
Telephone	524.49	
Photostats	537.75	
Office Expense & Supplies	1,575.91	
Travel	2,386.72	
Computer Maintenance Costs	2,401.58	
Binding	592.86	
Copier Maintenance	659.76	36,994.07

Revaluation of Properties		900.00
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**LAW AND CLAIMS:**

Salary of Town Counsel	4,410.00	
Special Legal Services	1,870.60	
Claims & Expenses	1,412.45	7,693.05

**LICENSE COMMISSION:**

Office Expense	54.90	
Clerical	350.00	
Travel	995.10	1,400.00

**MEMORIAL HALL:**

Custodian's Salary	3,773.00	
Electricity & Water	1,087.58	
General Supplies	162.89	
Snow Removal	46.90	
Fuel	1,885.21	
Sewer Fee	150.00	7,105.58

**PALMER TOWN BUILDING:**

Custodian's Salary	5,574.94	
Lights/Heat/Water	11,116.65	

Gen. Bldg. Supplies/Exp.	2,077.87	
Misc. Repairs	1,523.69	
Sewer Fee	525.00	
Window Cleaning	250.00	
Floor Cleaning	425.00	
Lock-up Repair	<u>1,450.00</u>	22,943.15
<b>TOWN ENGINEER SALARY:</b>		6,615.00
<b>CONSULTING ENGINEER:</b>		9,224.00
<b>FINANCE COMMITTEE:</b>		
Salary of Secretary	903.00	
Clerical	600.00	
Office Expense/Supplies/ Seminars	412.64	
Printing	<u>298.30</u>	2,213.94
<b>PLANNING BOARD:</b>		
Admin. Assist. - Zoning Bds.	11,242.00	
Office Expense & Supplies	971.41	
Telephone	423.26	
Legal Notices	1,560.28	
Zoning Map	120.00	
Engineering Services	<u>771.39</u>	15,088.34
<b>BOARD OF APPEALS EXPENSES:</b>		1,974.32
<b>PERSONNEL ADVISORY BOARD:</b>		138.85
<b>COUNCIL ON AGING:</b>		
Salary of Director	11,061.00	
Salary of Van Driver	3,261.00	
Meals on Wheels Drivers	2,509.15	
Office Supplies/Postage	959.85	
Van Insurance	1,022.00	
Telephone	475.27	
Travel	<u>84.02</u>	19,372.29
State Grant - Dept. of Elder Affairs		5,391.85
<b>TOWN MODERATOR:</b>		150.00
<b>PALMER REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY:</b>		
Park Maintenance	<u>1,500.00</u>	1,500.00
<b>COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT OFFICE:</b>		14,280.70
<b>SMALL CITIES PROGRAM GRANT:</b>		235,114.00
<b>TOTAL FOR GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>		615,749.74

## PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

### POLICE:

Salary of Chief	33,984.78	
Patrolmen	350,490.12	
Clerical	57,562.08	
Matron & Other Services	361.07	
Court Prosecutor	5,444.00	
Clothing & Equipment for Men	4,719.48	
Gas & Oil	18,764.56	
Radio Repairs	5,086.43	
Maintenance of Cruisers	6,741.18	
Telephone	2,846.82	
Office Expense & Supplies	6,094.81	
Lock-up Expense (meals, etc.)	329.51	
Officer's Training School	895.15	
Chief of Police-Car Allowance	1,000.00	
WMLEC	250.00	
Ammo/Drugs/Narc.	322.50	
Other Expenses	397.37	
Computer Maintenance	1,051.31	
Telephone System	<u>613.56</u>	496,954.73

Police Cruisers: 22,644.00

### AUXILIARY POLICE EXPENSES:

1,399.34

### CIVIL DEFENSE:

Salary	566.00	
Other Expense	<u>100.00</u>	666.00

### FOREST WARDEN:

Salary	2,592.00	
Telephone	52.86	
Firemen	306.00	
Gas & Oil	182.70	
Supplies/Repairs	589.87	
Out-of-District Fires	<u>2,577.00</u>	6,300.43

### FORESTRY DEPARTMENT:

Labor	1,102.00	
Equipment Hire	3,799.15	
Stump Removal	611.80	
Supplies and Repairs	1,880.17	
Insect Pest Control	1,423.38	
Dutch Elm Disease Control	<u>4,735.00</u>	13,551.50

### SEALER:

Salary	1,714.35	
Travel	294.53	
Equipment & Supplies	<u>532.89</u>	2,541.77

### DOG OFFICER:

Salary	1,728.00	
Boarding of Dogs	4,638.00	
Destroying of Dogs	1,598.00	

Telephone	277.00	
Electricity	645.61	
Travel	799.90	
Equipment & Supplies	432.91	
Postage	66.00	10,185.42
<b>GAS INSPECTOR-SALARY &amp; EXPENSES:</b>		356.00
<b>TOWN FIRE ENGINEERS:</b>		165.00
<b>CONSERVATION COMMISSION EXPENSES:</b>		1,276.13
<b>WIRE INSPECTOR-SALARY &amp; EXPENSES:</b>		3,050.00
<b>HISTORICAL COMMISSION:</b>		243.95
<b>PARKING CLERK EXPENSES:</b>		1,165.22
<b>BUILDING INSPECTOR-SALARY/EXPENSES:</b>		11,300.00
<b>MATCHING FUNDS - AQUIFER LAND ACQUISITION PROGRAM GRANT</b>		1,500.00
<b>TOTAL FOR PROTECTION OF PERSONS &amp; PROPERTY</b>		<u>573,299.49</u>

#### **HEALTH AND SANITATION**

##### **HEALTH, BOARD OF:**

Board Salaries	3,000.00	
Health Agent's Salary	1,357.00	
Office Expense & Supplies	343.69	
Travel	2,007.61	
Quaboag Valley Visiting Nurse Association	14,450.00	
Telephone	237.85	
Clinics	1,721.53	
Plumbing Inspector-Salary & Expenses	3,447.46	
Vermin Control-Salary	520.00	
Expenses	274.32	
Milk Inspector-Salary & Expenses	430.98	
Animal Inspector-Salary & Expenses	1,102.00	
Perc Test Inspection	1,360.00	
Home Care Service for the Elderly	1,200.00	
Vital Statistics	432.00	
Water Testing	275.00	32,159.44

##### **SANITARY LANDFILL:**

Contracted Services	53,999.96	
Other Expenses	996.20	
Salary of Caretaker	12,230.24	66,726.49

Sanitary Landfill Test Wells	534.33
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Sanitary Landfill Fire - STM 2/24/86	11,024.52
FY86-ART. 17-Valley Human Services	4,500.00
FY 86 - ART. 15 - Ambulance Service Subsidy	21,000.00

**SEWER TRUNKMAIN CLEANING:** 2,933.55

**GENERAL SEWER MAINTENANCE:**

Equipment Hire	200.00	
Equipment Supplies & Repair	1,073.74	
Pipe & Fittings	1,818.63	
Cleaning Catch Basins	9,003.70	
Catch Basins & Manholes	824.25	12,920.32

**LAKE THOMPSON SEWER PROJECT:** 33,711.60

**WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PROJECT:** 8,606.43

**WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT:**

Salaries	152,717.87	
Chemicals	21,741.08	
Telephone	3,139.61	
Electricity	154,898.43	
Fuel	22,879.66	
Equipment Maintenance	45,492.26	
Lab Supplies	4,441.64	
Office Supplies/Postage	2,418.94	
Misc. Supplies	3,294.62	
Clothing	770.00	
Administrative Costs-		
Sewer User Fees	3,747.93	
Maintenance of Railroad		
Crossings	5,829.05	
Water	335.16	
Sludge Disposal	4,000.00	
Dues/Travel	941.67	426,647.92

Wastewater Treatment Plant Equipment 15,147.81

Cost of Chemicals - State reimbursement - P.W.P.C. 11,124.00

**TOTAL FOR HEALTH AND SANITATION** 647,036.41

**HIGHWAYS**

**HIGHWAY SALARIES:** 236,072.49

**GENERAL HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE:**

Gas/Oil/Fuel	19,848.74
Telephone	877.03
Lights/Heat/Power/Water	3,186.26
Diesel Fuel Tax	302.51
Office Expenses & Supplies	1,205.35
Supplies/Equipment/Repairs	33,071.73
Painting Center Lines on	
Roads/Crosswalks	3,912.50
Clothing Allowance	1,620.00

Town Barn Maintenance	300.22	
Rain & Safety Equipment	<u>495.53</u>	64,819.87
<b>STREET SIGNS &amp; TRAFFIC REGULATIONS:</b>		
Materials/Supplies	649.85	
Signs	948.45	
Repairs to Traffic Signals	1,049.27	
Electricity	<u>3,245.86</u>	5,893.43
Highway Equipment and Repairs		29,461.96
<b>MAINTENANCE OF RAILROAD CROSSINGS:</b>		2,850.00
<b>BRIDGE MAINTENANCE:</b>		94.75
Transportation Bond Issue		268.52
FY81-ART. 21 Ch. 90 Construction		3,221.24
FY82-ART. 26-Highway Construction & Improvement Project		49,917.00
FY83-ART. 18-Highway Construction & Improvement Project		706.40
Pave-St. John Street-Precinct B		10,302.83
<b>SIDEWALKS AND CURBS- GENERAL MAINTENANCE:</b>		
Concrete	2,612.19	
Bituminous Materials	357.52	
Supplies	<u>514.16</u>	3,483.87
<b>SURFACE TREATMENT OF STREETS WITH BITUMINOUS MATERIALS:</b>		
Gravel/Sand	2,427.56	
Liquid Bituminous Materials	13,053.92	
Concrete Bituminous Materials	15,047.42	
Equipment Hire	<u>950.00</u>	31,478.90
<b>SNOW REMOVAL:</b>		
Equipment Hire for Plowing	2,106.00	
Repairs/Tools/Equipment	15,074.64	
Salt	10,632.06	
Sand	<u>10,303.22</u>	38,115.92
<b>STREET LIGHTING:</b>		74,714.19
TOTAL FOR HIGHWAYS		551,401.37
<b>CHARITIES AND SOLDIER'S BENEFITS</b>		
<b>VETERAN'S BENEFITS:</b>		
Salary of Agent	5,249.40	
Administrative Expenses	398.91	
Telephone	582.11	
Hospital/Medical/Dental	24,882.39	
Ordinary Allowances	<u>18,905.11</u>	

Emergency Provisions/Clothing	139.99	
Rent/Fuel/Utility	45.00	
Miscellaneous	29.00	50,231.91
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Unpaid Bills for a Previous Year -		
Veteran's Benefits STM ART. 3 - 2/24/86		1,308.61
TOTAL FOR CHARITIES AND SOLDIER'S BENEFITS		51,540.52

## SCHOOLS

### SCHOOLS, OPERATION OF:

Administration-Salaries	92,513.65
Administration-Expenses	30,425.11
Instruction-Salaries	2,930,431.66
Instruction-Expenses	183,804.35
Health	19,515.55
Custodians	189,532.52
Operation & Maintenance Of Plant	210,409.37
Other School Services	316,124.46
Insurance	72,605.24
Tuition	173,349.06
Trade School - Salary	
& Expenses	3,371.56
Special Gift Account	89.71
Community Services	50.00
Building Aides	46,399.28
Group Life Insurance	1,968.00
Blue Cross-Blue Shield	115,026.44
Replacement of Equipment	18,765.11
Acquisition of Equipment	21,480.57
Encumbered School Expenses	111,260.64
School Lunch-Salaries	81,135.48
School Lunch-Expenses	129,229.97
School Athletics	11,333.31
Professional Development Grant	40,529.45
Title I 200-091-5-0227-5	
SOS VII PL 89-313	1,716.20
Title I 200-125-6-0227-5	
SOS VII PL 89-313	8,445.76
1986 Chapter II Block Grant	1,917.00
Chapter I 85-227-137	40,073.57
Chapter I 86-227-137	66,123.22
Chapter 188 School	
Improvement Funds	9,301.00
Title VI PL 94-142	
Project 251-442-5-0227-5	752.00
Chapter 188 - Equal Educational	
Opportunity Grant - 1986	6,072.08
EESA Title II Improvement in	
Math & Science	551.32
1986 Massachusetts In-Service	
Grant Computer Technology in	
Curriculum, Project #380-161-	
6-0227-5	749.50
Title VI B PL 94-142	
Project #240-131-5-0227-5	13,161.68
Title VI B PL 94-142	
Project #240-131-5-0227-5	37,221.34

Word Processing Project #400-051-5-0227-5	6,692.20	
Education Consolidation & Improvement Act - ECIA of 1984 - Chapter 2 FY85	5,290.41	
Pathfinder Regional Vocational Technical High School District	<u>532,484.70</u>	
TOTAL FOR SCHOOLS		5,529,902.47
<b>LIBRARY</b>		
<b>PALMER PUBLIC LIBRARY:</b>		
Operating Expenses	181,956.00	
Local Arts Lottery Council	<u>4,189.39</u>	
TOTAL FOR LIBRARY		186,145.39
<b>PARKS:</b>		
Labor	89,199.21	
Truck Repairs/Expenses	1,967.38	
Supplies/Repairs	6,996.22	
Gas & Oil	3,171.95	
Electricity/Water	2,126.83	
Telephone	501.00	
Fertilizer, Grass Seed, Mulch	1,398.80	
Maint.-Burleigh Park	<u>2,481.64</u>	107,843.03
Pee Wee Park Maintenance		1,594.92
Park Equipment		16,568.69
<b>Nick Laviolette Park</b>		1,539.26
Restroom Facilities Nick Laviolette Park		523.03
<b>RECREATION:</b>		
Labor	15,698.00	
Transportation	5,224.80	
Travel	712.47	
Supplies/Equipment	4,458.01	
Printing	<u>127.66</u>	26,220.94
FY86 ART. 12-Pee Wee Baseball Midget League		1,800.00
FY86 ART. 13-Palmer Cowboy Football Team		1,800.00
FY86 ART. 14 Palmer Lil' Girls Softball League		1,800.00
<b>MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE:</b>		<u>2,196.00</u>
TOTAL FOR PARKS, RECREATION AND CELEBRATIONS		161,885.87

## CEMETERIES

### CEMETERIES:

Labor	44,146.98
Salary of Secretary	2,226.00
Truck Maintenance	207.34
Electricity/Water	117.47
Gas & Oil	1,174.91
General Supplies/Repairs	3,359.02
Fertilizer/Lime/Loam	900.00
Office Expense	186.14
Telephone	215.81
Tree Pruning & Removal	2,500.00
Equipment	<u>17,430.00</u>

### TOTAL FOR CEMETERIES

72,463.67

## PENSIONS

County Retirement Assessment	218,521.00
Leo J. Santucci, Retirement	22,294.00
Stanley J. Strzeminski Retirement	<u>8,304.00</u>

### TOTAL FOR PENSIONS

249,119.00

## INSURANCE

Blue Cross-Blue Shield	89,865.57
Group Life Insurance	2,441.60
General Insurance	153,427.25
Unemployment Insurance	<u>7,447.00</u>

### TOTAL FOR INSURANCE

253,181.42

## UNCLASSIFIED

Town Reports	3,771.00
Certificate of Deposit- Cash	7,077,000.00
Repurchase Agreements	1,729,000.00
Government Investment Account	2,914,608.55
Other	<u>98.00</u>

### TOTAL FOR UNCLASSIFIED

11,724,477.55

## TEMPORARY LOANS

Anticipation of Revenue Loan	2,750,000.00
Anticipation of Federal & State Grants-WPC Project	438,000.00
Anticipation of Serial Loan WPC Project	144,600.00
Anticipation of Serial Loan Calkins Road	<u>267,000.00</u>

### TOTAL FOR TEMPORARY LOANS

3,599,600.00



## INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT

### INTEREST:

Three Rivers Flood Control	1,375.00	
Urban Renewal Project	50,750.00	
Purchase and Renovation of Library Bldg.	4,125.00	
Wastewater Treatment Facilities	85,962.67	
Calkins Rd. Sewer Proj.	16,564.60	
Tax Anticipation Notes	<u>25,488.26</u>	184,265.53

### MATURING DEBT:

Principal-Three Rivers Flood Control	5,000.00	
Principal-Palmer Industrial Park Urban Renewal	130,000.00	
Principal-Wastewater Treatment Facilities	85,400.00	
Principal-Purchase of Library Bldg.	10,000.00	
Principal-Renovation of Library Bldg.	30,000.00	
Principal - Calkins Road Sewer Project	<u>10,000.00</u>	270,400.00

TOTAL FOR INTEREST & MATURING DEBT 454,665.53

## STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSMENTS

County Tax	211,876.76	
State Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	1,753.00	
Pioneer Valley Planning Commission	1,708.35	
Pioneer Valley Air Pollution Control District	<u>1,725.00</u>	
TOTAL FOR STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSMENTS		217,063.11

## REFUNDS

### ON TAXES:

Real Estate	17,497.90	
Motor Vehicle Excise	3,594.37	
Sewer User Fees	<u>1,038.00</u>	
TOTAL FOR REFUNDS		22,130.27

DOG LICENSES TO COUNTY: 6,580.25

WARRANTS PAYABLE: 223,478.86

## AGENCY

Interest on Conservation Fund	8,654.50
Tax Collector-Real & Personal Property Taxes	83,541.78

Tax Title Redemption -		
Due District	1,455.31	
Police-Off Duty Work Detail	41,555.96	
Payroll Deductions:		
Federal Withholding	624,801.52	
State Withholding	236,516.29	
County Retirement	97,140.03	
Group Health Insurance	176,341.70	
Group Life Insurance	4,710.80	
State Retirement Fund -		
Refund	<u>52.64</u>	
 TOTAL FOR AGENCY		 1,274,770.53

TRUST

Perpetual Care Funds	2,475.00	
Stabilization Fund	<u>100,000.00</u>	
 TOTAL FOR TRUST		 <u>102,475.00</u>
TOTAL CASH DISBURSEMENTS		26,516,966.45

**STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS, EXPENDITURES AND BALANCES**  
**Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1986**

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT**

	Appro. as Modified	Expended	Surplus	Balance Forward
<b>SELECTMEN:</b>				
Board Salaries	6,300.00	6,300.00		
Clerical	5,806.00	4,719.95	1,086.05	
Other Expenses	12,820.00	12,810.55	9.45	
Contingent Account	900.00	358.93	541.07	
Audit of Municipal Accts.	9,550.00	9,550.00		
<b>ACCOUNTANT/EXEC. SECR.:</b>				
Salary	22,880.00	22,880.00		
Clerical	9,540.00	8,017.99	1,522.01	
Other Expenses	1,792.00	1,501.72	290.28	
<b>TREASURER:</b>				
Salary	20,299.00	20,299.00		
Clerical	16,902.00	16,359.36	542.64	
Other Expenses	9,800.00	9,443.95	356.05	
Tax Title Foreclosures	3,022.59	10.00		3,012.59
<b>COLLECTOR:</b>				
Salary	20,299.00	20,299.00		
Clerical	23,173.00	23,162.65	10.35	
Other Expenses	12,660.60	11,897.00	763.60	
<b>TOWN CLERK:</b>				
Salary	20,649.00	20,649.00		
Clerical	12,300.00	12,300.00		
Other Expenses	5,039.00	5,039.00		
State Census ART. 20 ATM 5/7/84	2,345.47	300.00		2,045.47
<b>ELECTION &amp; REGISTRATION:</b>				
Registrars' Salaries	2,675.00	2,675.00		
Other Expenses	10,640.00	10,613.00	27.00	
<b>ASSESSORS:</b>				
Salaries	6,000.00	6,000.00		
Clerical	22,339.00	22,315.00	24.00	
Other Expenses	8,700.00	8,679.07	20.93	
Revaluation of Properties ART. 2 STM 8/31/81	18,689.88	900.00		17,789.88
<b>TOWN COUNSEL:</b>				
Salary	4,410.00	4,410.00		
Other Expenses	2,000.00	1,412.45	587.55	
Special Legal Services	2,000.00	1,870.60	129.40	
<b>LICENSE COMMISSION:</b>				
Expenses	1,050.00	1,050.00		
Clerk	350.00	350.00		
<b>MEMORIAL HALL:</b>				
Custodian's Salary	3,773.00	3,773.00		
Other Expenses	5,740.00	3,332.58	2,407.42	

	Appro. as Modified	Expended	Surplus	Balance Forward
<b>PALMER TOWN BUILDING:</b>				
Custodian's Salary	5,607.00	5,574.94	32.06	
Other Expenses	23,195.00	17,368.21	5,826.79	
<b>ENGINEERING:</b>				
Town Engineer - Salary	6,615.00	6,615.00		
Consulting Engineer	9,224.00	9,224.00		
<b>FINANCE COMMITTEE:</b>				
Salary of Clerk	1,152.00	903.00	249.00	
Salary of Recording Sec.	600.00	600.00		
Other Expenses	3,375.00	710.94	2,664.06	
<b>PLANNING BOARD:</b>				
Sal. Admin. Asst. to Zoning				
Bds. & Bldg. Dept.	11,242.00	11,242.00		
Other Expenses	5,450.00	3,846.34	1,603.66	
<b>BOARD OF APPEALS:</b>				
Expenses	1,675.00	1,674.32	.68	
Salary of Recording Sec.	300.00	300.00		
<b>PERSONNEL BOARD:</b>				
Expenses	485.00	138.85	346.15	
<b>COUNCIL ON AGING:</b>				
Expenses	9,331.00	8,311.29	1,019.71	
Salary of Director	11,061.00	11,061.00		
<b>PALMER REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY:</b>				
Expenses	1,625.00	1,500.00	125.00	
<b>COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT OFFICE:</b>				
	15,688.76	14,280.70	1,408.06	
<b>MODERATOR:</b>	150.00	150.00		

#### PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

	Appro. as Modified	Expended	Surplus	Balance Forward
<b>POLICE DEPARTMENT:</b>				
Encumbered Salaries	18,955.12			18,955.12
Salaries	474,052.00	466,436.10	7,615.90	
Other Expenses	49,500.00	49,473.75	26.25	
Equipment	4,684.09			4,684.09
Police Cruisers	22,648.00	22,644.00	4.00	
Installation of Gas Tank	9,500.00			9,500.00
Auxiliary Police Expenses	1,400.00	1,399.34	.66	
<b>CIVIL DEFENSE:</b>				
Salary	566.00	566.00		
Other Expenses	100.00	100.00		

	Appro. as Modified	Expended	Surplus	Balance Forward
<b>FOREST WARDEN:</b>				
Salary	2,592.00	2,592.00		
Other Expenses	1,320.00	1,131.43	188.57	
Out-of-District Fires	2,577.00	2,577.00		
<b>FORESTRY:</b>				
Labor	1,102.00	1,102.00		
Other Expenses	6,400.00	6,291.12	108.88	
Gypsy Moth Control	19,358.36			19,358.36
Dutch Elm Disease	4,793.00	4,735.00	58.00	
Insect Pest Control	1,500.00	1,423.38	76.62	
<b>SEALER:</b>				
Salary	1,800.00	1,714.35	85.65	
Other Expenses	875.00	827.42	47.58	
<b>DOG OFFICER:</b>				
Salary	1,728.00	1,728.00		
Other Expenses	8,470.00	8,457.42	12.58	
<b>GAS INSPECTOR:</b>				
Salary & Expenses	356.00	356.00		
<b>TOWN FIRE ENGINEERS:</b>				
	165.00	165.00		
<b>CONSERVATION COMMISSION:</b>				
Salary of Clerk	300.00	300.00		
Expenses	1,039.50	976.13	63.37	
Matching Funds - Scenic River Greenway Grant ART. 2 STM 6/24/85	900.00			900.00
<b>WIRE INSPECTOR:</b>				
Salary & Expenses	3,050.00	3,050.00		
<b>HISTORICAL COMMISSION:</b>				
	250.00	243.95	6.05	
<b>BUILDING INSPECTOR:</b>				
	11,300.00	11,300.00		
<b>PARKING CLERK:</b>				
	1,300.00	1,165.22	134.78	
<b>RENT CONTROL BOARD:</b>				
Other Expenses	200.00		200.00	
<b>DEMOLITION OF UNSAFE STRUCTURES</b>				
	3,000.00			3,000.00
Matching Funds - Aquifer Land Acquisition Program Grant - ART. 14 STM 2/24/86				
	1,500.00	1,500.00		



# HEALTH AND SANITATION

	Appro. as Modified	Expended	Balance Surplus	Forward
<b>BOARD OF HEALTH:</b>				
Salaries/Health Agent	4,357.00	4,357.00		
Other Expenses	6,740.00	6,740.00		
<b>MILK INSPECTION:</b>				
Salaries & Expenses	432.00	430.98	1.02	
<b>ANIMAL INSPECTION:</b>				
Salary & Expenses	1,102.00	1,102.00		
Vital Statistics	500.00	432.00	68.00	
<b>QUABOAG VALLEY VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION:</b>	14,500.00	14,450.00	50.00	
<b>HOME CARE SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY:</b>	1,200.00	1,200.00		
<b>PLUMBING INSPECTION:</b>				
Salary & Expenses	3,450.00	3,447.46	2.54	
<b>SANITARY LANDFILL:</b>				
Contracted Services	55,000.00	53,999.96	1,000.04	
Other Expenses	750.00	496.29	253.71	
Salary of Caretaker	12,231.00	12,230.24	.76	
Sanitary Landfill Test				
Wells ART. 9 STM 9/27/82	534.33	534.33		
ART. 17 FY86 Quaboag Valley				
<b>HUMAN SERVICES:</b>	4,500.00	4,500.00		
Matching Funds - Technical Assistance Grant - Bureau of Solid Waste	1,000.00			1,000.00
ART. 15 FY86 Ambulance Service Subsidy:	42,000.00	21,000.00	21,000.00	
<b>GENERAL SEWER MAINTENANCE:</b>	13,000.00	12,920.32	79.68	
<b>SEWER TRUNK MAIN CLEANING:</b>	3,000.00	2,933.55	66.45	
Lake Thompson Sewer Project	500,000.00	33,711.60		466,288.40
Calkins Rd. Sewer Proj.	48,660.09			48,660.09
<b>WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT:</b>				
Salaries	166,410.00	152,717.87	13,692.13	
Expenses	322,591.17	287,540.68	35,050.49	
Equipment	24,600.00	15,147.81		9,452.19
Water Pollution Control Proj.	16,538.55	8,606.43		7,932.12

# HIGHWAYS AND SIDEWALKS

	Appro. as Modified	Expended	Surplus	Balance Forward
<b>HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:</b>				
Salaries	236,263.00	236,072.49	190.51	
<b>GENERAL HIGHWAY MAINT.:</b>	64,911.25	64,819.87	91.38	
<b>STREET SIGNS:</b>	5,900.00	5,893.43	6.57	
<b>HWY. DEPT. EQUIPMENT:</b>	34,600.00	29,461.96		5,138.04
<b>MAINT. OF RAILROAD CROSSINGS:</b>	2,850.00	2,850.00		
<b>BRIDGE MAINTENANCE:</b>	100.00	94.75	5.25	
<b>SURFACE TREATMENT:</b>	31,500.00	31,478.90	21.10	
<b>SNOW REMOVAL:</b>	38,170.00	38,115.92	54.08	
<b>STREET LIGHTING:</b>	79,575.00	74,714.19	4,860.81	
ART. 4 STM 6/16/80 Engineering Services Traffic Signals:	220.00	220.00		
ART. 21 FY81 Chapter 90 Construction:	4,380.80	3,221.24		1,159.56
ART. 18 FY83 Highway Construction and Improvement Project:	706.40	706.40		
ART. 18 FY86 Highway Construction and Improvement Project:	49,917.00	49,917.00		
ART. 18 FY85 Highway Construction and Improvement Project:	55,914.65			55,914.65
<b>GENERAL SIDEWALK MAINT.:</b>	3,500.00	3,483.87	16.13	
Eminent Domain Proceedings - Mason St.:	1,000.00			1,000.00
Eminent Domain Proceedings - Thorndike & Park Sts. ART. 9 STM 11/19/84	400.00	400.00		

	Appro. as Modified	Expended	Surplus	Balance Forward
Surveying & Layout of Smith St. ART. 20 ATM 4/22/85	4,000.00			4,000.00
Surveying & Layout of Mason St. ART. 21 ATM 4/22/85	5,600.00			5,600.00
Pave St. John St. - Precinct B ART. 21 ATM 5/7/84	10,302.98	10,302.83	.15	

#### VETERANS' DEPARTMENT

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Veterans' Agent Salary	5,596.00	5,249.40	346.60	
Veterans' Benefits	48,541.03	45,072.49	3,468.54	
Veterans' Other Expenses	1,850.00	1,010.02	839.98	
Unpaid Bills of the Previous Year - Veterans' Benefits ART. 2 STM 2/24/86	1,309.00	1,308.61	.39	
Veterans' Benefits - Encumbered	1,100.00			1,100.00

#### EDUCATION

##### PALMER PUBLIC SCHOOLS:

Encumbered Salaries	419,057.04	419,057.04		
Operations & Maintenance	4,663,627.77	4,615,810.45	47,817.32	
School Expenses Encumbered	31,813.85	246.99	31,566.86	
Public Schools Support & Maint. - Encumb. FY86	116,512.33	111,013.65	5,498.68	
Public Schools Support & Maint. - Encumb. FY87	160,873.50			160,873.50
Pathfinder Regional Technical Vocational High School District	532,485.00	532,484.70	.30	
<b>PALMER PUBLIC LIBRARY</b>	181,956.50	181,956.00	.50	

#### PARKS, RECREATION AND CELEBRATIONS

##### PARKS DEPARTMENT:

Salaries	91,436.00	89,199.21	2,236.79	
Other Expenses	19,630.00	18,643.82	986.18	
Pee Wee Park Maint.	1,600.00	1,594.92	5.08	
Park Equipment	18,068.00	16,568.69		1,499.31
Nick Laviolette Field	1,600.00	1,539.26	60.74	
Toilet Facilities Nick Laviolette Field	786.67	523.03	263.64	

##### RECREATION DEPARTMENT:

Salaries	15,709.00	15,698.00	11.00	
Other Expenses	10,825.00	10,522.94	302.06	
ART 12 FY86 Pee Wee Midget Baseball League	1,800.00	1,800.00		

	Appro. as Modified	Expended	Surplus	Balance Forward
ART 13 FY86 Palmer Cowboy Football Team	1,800.00	1,800.00		
ART 14 FY86 Lil' Girls Softball League	1,800.00	1,800.00		
<b>CELEBRATIONS:</b>				
<b>Memorial Day Observance</b>	<b>2,196.00</b>	<b>2,196.00</b>		
<b>CEMETERY</b>				
Salaries	47,034.00	44,146.98	2,887.02	
Salary of Secretary	2,226.00	2,226.00		
Other Expenses	8,799.00	8,660.69	138.31	
Cemetery Equipment	17,949.00	17,430.00	519.00	
<b>PENSIONS</b>				
County Retirement Assessment	218,521.00	218,521.00		
Leo J. Santucci Retirement	22,294.00	22,294.00		
Stanley J. Strzemienksi Retirement	8,304.00	8,304.00		
<b>INSURANCE</b>				
General Insurance	169,760.00	153,427.25	16,332.75	
Health Insurance	95,000.00	89,865.57	5,134.43	
Group Insurance - Life	2,500.00	2,441.60	58.40	
Unemployment Insurance	15,000.00	7,447.00	7,553.00	
<b>UNCLASSIFIED</b>				
Town Reports	3,771.00	3,771.00		
Reserve Fund	60,000.00	57,622.50	2,377.50	
<b>INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT</b>				
<b>INTEREST:</b>				
Tax Anticipation Notes	25,490.00	25,488.26	1.74	
Abated Taxes	2,000.00		2,000.00	
Three Rivers Flood Control Project	1,375.00	1,375.00		
Palmer Industrial Park Urban Renewal	50,750.00	50,750		
Wastewater Treatment Facilities	95,660.00	85,962.67	9,697.33	
Calkins Rd. Sewer Project	20,000.00	16,564.60	3,435.40	
Purchase & Renovation of Library Building	4,125.00	4,125.00		
<b>PRINCIPAL:</b>				
Three Rivers Flood Control Project	5,000.00	5,000.00		

Palmer Industrial				
Park Urban Renewal	130,000.00	130,000.00		
Wastewater				
Treatment Facilities	85,400.00	85,400.00		
Renovation of				
Library Bldg.	30,000.00	30,000.00		
Purchase of				
Library Bldg.	10,000.00	10,000.00		
Calkins Rd.				
Sewer Project	10,000.00	10,000.00		
	10,414,339.28	9,314,583.71	250,892.20	848,863.37



**BONDED INDEBTEDNESS**  
**Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1986**

Maturity Fiscal Year	1962 Three Rivers Flood Project	1974 Industrial Park Project	1978 Water Pollution Control Project	1978 Palmer Public Library Project	Total
1987		130,000	80,000	40,000	255,000
1988	5,000	125,000	80,000	10,000	220,000
1989	5,000	125,000	80,000	5,000	215,000
1990	5,000	124,000	80,000		209,000
1991		124,000	80,000		204,000
1992		124,000	80,000		204,000
1993		124,000	80,000		204,000
1994		19,000	80,000		99,000
1995			60,000		60,000
1996			60,000		60,000
1997			60,000		60,000
1998			60,000		60,000
1999			55,000		55,000
	20,000	895,000	935,000	55,000	1,905,000

**RESERVE ACCOUNT TRANSFERS**  
**Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1986**

**APPROPRIATION:**

\$60,000.00

**TRANSFERRED**

Parks Other Expense - Maint. of New		
Burleigh Park	1,830.00	
Selectmen's Other Expenses	290.00	
Board of Health - Salary of Agent	52.00	
Plumbing Inspector Expenses	450.00	
Building Inspector - Salary & Expenses	4,000.00	
Wastewater Treatment Plant - Expenses	2,500.00	
Memorial Day Observance Account	196.00	
Wire Inspector Salary & Expense	1,500.00	
Board of Appeals Expenses	500.00	
Police Cruisers	2,648.00	
Leo J. Santucci Retirement	40.00	
Palmer Town Building - Other Expenses	1,450.00	
Conservation Commission Expenses	250.00	
Accountant's Clerical	600.00	
Interest on Tax Anticipation Notes	5,820.00	
Plumbing Inspector - Salary & Expenses	1,500.00	
Collector's Clerical	900.00	
Building Inspector - Salary & Expenses	1,500.00	
Energy Conservation Improvements		
Account	665.50	
Town Reports Account	171.00	
Selectmen's Other Expense	225.00	
Interest on Tax Anticipation Notes	9,670.00	
Police - Other Expenses	4,000.00	
Downtown Revitalization Committee	6,619.00	
Parking Clerk Expenses	300.00	
Veterans' Services	2,300.00	
Sanitary Landfill - Salary of Caretaker	895.00	
Conservation Commission Expenses	200.00	
Building Inspector - Salary & Expenses	250.00	
Forest Warden Out-of-District Fires	217.00	
Selectmen's O.E.	500.00	
Consulting Engineer	836.00	
Forest Warden Out-of-District Fires	360.00	
Consulting Engineers	4,388.00	
	57,622.50	
		2,377.50

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS  
SPECIAL ARTICLES - FY 1987**

Art. No.	Description	Approp.	Raised By Taxation	Federal Revenue Sharing	Surplus	From Other Sources Sources	Amount
8	Police Dept. Salaries	225,000.00		225,000.00		Overly. Res.	70,000.00
9	Reserve Fund	70,000.00				State Aid to	5,694.50
10	Aid to Palmer Library	5,694.50				Free Libraries	
12	Palmer Midget Baseball	1,800.00	1,800.00				
13	Palmer Cowboy Football	1,800.00	1,800.00				
14	Palmer Girls' Softball	1,800.00	1,800.00				
15	Cemetery Other Expense	1,500.00					
16	Valley Human Services	4,500.00	4,500.00			Cemetery Lots	1,500.00
17	State Aid to Highways	49,820.00			49,820.00		
18	Municipal Audit	9,550.00	9,550.00				
19	Mason St.	15,150.00	15,150.00				
21	Codification of By-Laws	6,500.00	6,500.00				
22	Handicap Ramp-Twn. Bldg.	3,500.00	3,500.00				
23	Street Light-Shearer St.	76.00	76.00				
24	Downtown Revitalization	30,590.00	30,590.00				
	Committee						
		427,280.50	75,266.00	225,000.00	49,820.00		77,194.50

TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION

	FY-1987	FY-1986	Increase or Decrease FY-1987 over FY-1986
Total of Special Articles	75,266	83,125	-- 7,859
Budget Article	9,014,726	8,155,533	+ 859,193
	<u>9,089,992</u>	<u>8,238,658</u>	<u>+ 851,334</u>









**1987 TOWN WARRANT  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Hampden, ss:

Town of Palmer

To either of the Constables of the Town of Palmer in said County

**GREETINGS:**

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the Town of Palmer qualified to vote in elections of Town officers to meet at the several polling places in said Palmer, designated by the Selectmen to wit: In precinct A at the Palmer High School; in Precinct B at the Thorn-dike Grammar School; in Precinct C at the Three Rivers Grammar School; and in Precinct D at the Bondsville Grammar School; on Tuesday, the twenty-first of April, 1987 at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in their votes on one ballot to the Town, for the following officers:

For a term of one (1) year:

- One (1) Moderator
- One (1) Town Clerk (to fill unexpired term)
- One (1) Assessor (to fill unexpired term)
- Five (5) Park Commissioners

For a term of two (2) years:

- One (1) Planning Board Member (to fill unexpired term)

For a term of three (3) years:

- One (1) Selectman
- One (1) Town Treasurer
- One (1) Assessor
- Two (2) School Committee Members
- One (1) Board of Health Member
- One (1) Cemetery Commissioner
- One (1) License Commissioner
- One (1) Pathfinder Regional Vocational-Technical  
High School District Member

For a term of five (5) years:

- One (1) Planning Board Member
- One (1) Housing Authority Member
- One (1) Palmer Redevelopment Authority Member

The polls will open at ten o'clock in the forenoon and will be closed at eight o'clock in the evening.

And you are further required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Palmer, qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet at the Palmer High School, Converse Street in said Palmer on Monday, the twenty-seventh of April A.D. 1987 at seven o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles fiz;

**ARTICLE 1.** To choose all usual Town Officers.

**ARTICLE 2.** To hear and act on reports of all officers and committees whose duties require them to report in said meeting.

**ARTICLE 3.** To fix the compensation of all elected Town Officers for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1987 and ending June 30, 1988.

**ARTICLE 4.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the

revenue of the financial year beginning July 1, 1987, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17 and to see whether the Town will authorize the Treasurer (Collector) to enter into compensating balance agreements during fiscal year 1988, as permitted by General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53F.

**ARTICLE 5.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money, as permitted by law to meet any appropriations made or expenses incurred under any article of the warrant.

**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place in Town, and by advertising once in a local newspaper, fourteen days at least before the sale, any old and obsolete equipment or personal property, provided that the Selectmen or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such auction or sale may reject any bid which they deem inadequate, or take any action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 7.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place in the Town, and by advertising once in a local newspaper, fourteen days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town under Tax Title procedure, provided that the Selectmen or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such auction may reject any bid which they deem inadequate, or take any action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 8.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or transfer from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds the principal sum of \$7,625.22 remaining in this fund and any accumulated interest as of June 30, 1987 for any purpose which is considered permissible use of the Town's own revenues under applicable State and local law.

**ARTICLE 9.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from the Overlay Reserve Account, any sum of money to the Reserve Fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 10.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for unpaid bills of previous years.

**ARTICLE 11.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to defray the expenses of the Palmer Midget Baseball League, or take any action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 12.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to defray the expenses of the Palmer Cowboy Football Team, or take any action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 13.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to defray the expenses of the Palmer Lil' Girls Softball league, or take any action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 14.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to defray the expenses of the Palmer Kicker's Soccer Association, or take any action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 15.** To see if the Town will transfer any sum of money from the Sale of Cemetery Lots Account to the Cemetery Other Expenses Account, or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 16.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to provide community mental health and social services through Valley Human Services, Inc. to the residents of the Town of Palmer, or take any action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 17.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds in the Treasury, any sum of money for "construction, reconstruction, and improvement including surface treatments so-called" on all approved public ways which qualify under the State Aid to Highway guidelines adopted by the Public Work's Commission, said monies to be reimbursed by the Commonwealth through an allocation to the Town under Chapter 206 of the Acts of 1986 and restored upon their receipt to available funds in the Treasury, or take any action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 18.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to conduct an examination of books and records of the Town of Palmer for the period, July 1, 1986 through June 30, 1987 in compliance with Federal Revenue Sharing Regulations and in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, or take any action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 19.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for the repair and improvement of Stimson Road, Thorndike, MA., or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 20.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to install, maintain and otherwise provide street lights in the following locations:

1. First Street, Bondsville, MA. (2 lights)
2. Fuller Street, Bondsville, MA.
3. Municipal Parking Lot, Three Rivers
4. Boston Road (Route 20) Pole #74

or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 21.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to upgrade the street lighting on Randall and Oakland Street, Palmer, or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 22.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to fund the position of Executive Secretary, or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 23.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to fund the position of Full-Time Town Engineer, or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 24.** To see if the Town will vote to place the following proposed amendment before the voters of the Town at the next Annual Town Elections pursuant to Section 9-11 of the Charter of the Town of Palmer:

The Home Rule Charter of the Town of Palmer is hereby amended by striking out the position of Full-Time Town Engineer from Section 3-3 of said Charter by substituting in place thereof the position of Full-Time or Part-Time Town Engineer.

The Home Rule Charter of the Town of Palmer is hereby further amended by striking out Section 3-4 in its entirety and substituting in place thereof the following language: The Full-Time or Part-Time Town Engineer shall be registered by the State as a professional engineer and shall be qualified by education, training, or previous experience on municipal projects.

or take any other action relative thereto.



**ARTICLE 25.** To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following Amendment No. 6 to the Agreement for the Establishment of the Pathfinder Regional Vocational Technical High School District as was adopted at a regular meeting of the Pathfinder District School Committee of January 21, 1987:

"Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 411 of the Acts of 1986, the Agreement among the towns of Belchertown, Monson, New Braintree, and Palmer, Massachusetts, as amended. Pursuant to which the Pathfinder Regional Vocational Technical High School District was established and now operates is hereby further amended as follows:

1. Section VII. By deleting the last sentence where it appears and inserting therefore the sentence, "Such amendment shall take effect upon its acceptance by all the member towns, acceptance by each town to be by a majority vote at a town meeting as aforesaid, except that an amendment changing the terms of this agreement relating to application of another city or town for admission to the district shall require the acceptance by two-thirds of the member towns.

or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 26.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the State Legislature for the passage of a special Home Rule Law which will authorize the Town to appropriate the proceeds from the sale of properties under the aegis of the Historical Commission and/or any monetary donations to the Historical Commission to be maintained by the Town Treasurer in a separate fund. The principal and interest to be used by the Commission for capital expenditures authorized under Section 8D of Chapter 40 of the General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 27.** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws by revising Section 2.03 by increasing the dimensional lot requirements for single and two family dwellings in the following respect:

Single-Family Dwelling **WITH** public water and sewer:

Minimum Lot Area:	30,000 square feet
Minimum Frontage:	150 feet
Minimum Lot Depth:	200 feet
Minimum Front Setback	50 feet
Minimum Side Setback	30 feet
Minimum Rear Setback	30 feet

Single-Family Dwelling **WITHOUT** public water and sewer:

Minimum Lot Area:	60,000 square feet
Minimum Frontage:	200
Minimum Lot Depth:	300

Two-Family Dwelling:

Minimum Lot Area:	40,000 square feet
Minimum Frontage:	200 feet
Minimum Lot Depth:	200 feet

or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 28.** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws by adding an amendment which would protect the groundwater supply resource from any use of land or structures which would reduce the quality or quantity of its water supply resources as follows:

Add to Section 8.01 District Types:  
WSP Water Supply Protection

#### 8.09 Water Supply Protection District

A. Purpose

The purposes of this district are to promote the health, safety and welfare of the community by protecting and preserving the surface and groundwater supply resources of Palmer from any use of land or structures which reduce the quality or quantity of its water supply resources.

B. Scope of Authority

The Water Supply Protection District is an overlay district and shall be superimposed on the other districts established by this Bylaw. All regulations of the Palmer Zoning Bylaw applicable to such underlying districts shall remain in effect, except that where the Water Supply Protection District imposes additional regulations, such regulations shall prevail.

C. District Delineation

The Water Supply Protection District is herein established to include all lands within the Town of Palmer lying within the primary and secondary recharge areas of groundwater aquifers and watershed areas of reservoirs which now or may in the future provide public water supply. The map entitled "Water Supply Protection District, Town of Palmer", on file with the Town Clerk, delineates the boundaries of the district.

Where the bounds delineated are in doubt or in dispute, the burden of proof shall be upon the owner(s) of the land in question to show where they should be properly located. At the request of the owner(s), the Town may engage a professional hydrogeologist to determine more accurately the location and extent of an aquifer recharge or watershed area, and may charge the owner(s) for all or part of the cost of the investigation.

D. Definitions

**Aquifer:** Geologic formation composed of rock or sand and gravel that contains significant amounts of potentially recoverable potable water.

**Groundwater:** All the water found beneath the surface of the ground.

**Hazardous Waste:** A waste which is hazardous to human health or the environment as designated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency under 40 CFR 250 and the Regulations of the Massachusetts Hazardous Waste Management Act, M.G.L., Chapter 21C.

**Impervious Surfaces:** Materials or structures on or above the ground that do not allow precipitation to infiltrate the underlying soil.

**Leachable Wastes:** Waste materials including solid wastes, sludge and pesticide and fertilizer wastes capable of releasing water-borne contaminants to the environment.

**Primary Aquifer Recharge Area:** Areas which are underlain by surficial geologic deposits including glaciofluvial or lacustrine stratified drift deposits or alluvium or swamp deposits, and in which the prevailing direction of groundwater flow is toward public water supply wells or potential sites for such wells.

**Secondary Aquifer Recharge Area:** Areas which are underlain by surficial geologic deposits including till or bedrock, and in which the prevailing direction of surface water flow is toward public water supply wells or potential sites for such wells.

**Watershed Area:** Lands lying adjacent to water courses or bodies which create the catchment or drainage areas of such water bodies or courses.

E. Prohibited Uses

1. Business and industrial uses which manufacture, process, store or dispose of hazardous materials or wastes as a principal activity, including, but not limited to metal plating, chemical manufacturing, wood preserving, furniture stripping,

dry cleaning, and auto body repair.

2. Trucking or bus terminals, motor vehicle gasoline sales.
3. Car washes, except when located on public water and sewer.
4. Solid waste landfills, dumps, junk and salvage yards, with the exception of the disposal of brush and stumps.
5. Business and industrial uses, not agricultural, which involve the on-site disposal of process wastes from operations.
6. Disposal of liquid or leachable wastes, except for residential subsurface waste disposal system, normal agricultural operations, business or industrial uses which involve the on-site disposal of wastes from personal hygiene and food preparation for residents, patrons and employees.
7. Underground storage and/or transmission of petroleum products excluding liquified petroleum gases, unless all requirements for secondary containment specified in 310 CMR 30.693 are met.
8. Outdoor storage of salt, de-icing materials, pesticides or herbicides.
9. The use of septic system cleaners which contain toxic chemicals.
10. The rendering impervious of more than 20% of the area of any single lot.

#### F. Restricted Uses

1. Excavation for removal of earth, sand, gravel and other soils shall not extend closer than five (5) feet above the annual high groundwater table. A monitoring well shall be installed by the property owner to verify groundwater elevations. This section shall not apply to uses incidental to permitted uses, including, but not limited to providing for the installation or maintenance of structural foundations, freshwater ponds, utility conduits or on-site sewage disposal.
  - a. Access road(s) to extractive operation sites shall include a gate or other secure mechanism to restrict public access to the site.
2. The use of sodium chloride for ice control shall be minimized, consistent with public highway safety requirements.
3. Commercial fertilizers, pesticides, herbicides, or other leachable materials shall not be used in amounts which result in groundwater contamination.
4. Above-ground storage tanks for oil, gasoline or other petroleum products shall be placed in a building on a diked, impermeable surface to prevent spills or leaks from reaching groundwater. Floor drains shall be plugged to prevent discharges.

#### G. Area Regulations

1. In areas within the district which are not served by municipal sewerage systems, the minimum allowable lot size shall be 40,000 square feet.

#### H. Drainage

1. All runoff from impervious surfaces shall be recharged on the site by being diverted toward areas covered with vegetation for surface infiltration to the extent possible. Dry wells shall be used only where other methods are infeasible, and shall be preceded by oil, grease and sediment traps to facilitate removal of contamination. All recharge areas shall be permanently maintained in full working order by owner.

#### I. Uses By Special Permit

Uses which may be permitted by the Planning Board:

1. Business and industrial activities permitted in the underlying district (either by matter of right or by special permit) shall file application for a special permit.
  - a. Requirements for Special Permit: The applicant shall file six (6) copies of a site plan with the Planning Board. The site plan shall, at a minimum, include the following information where pertinent:
    - (1) provisions to prevent contamination of groundwater by petroleum products, hazardous materials or wastes
    - (2) drainage recharge features and provisions to prevent loss of recharge



- (3) provisions to control soil erosion and sedimentation and soil compaction
- (4) provisions to prevent seepage from sewer pipes
- (5) A complete list of chemicals, pesticides, fuels and other potentially hazardous materials to be used or stored on the premises in quantities greater than those associated with normal household use. Those businesses using or storing such hazardous materials shall file a definitive operating plan, which shall comply with the Design and Operations Guidelines specified in Section 8.09-J of this bylaw.
- (6) Evidence of compliance with the Regulations of the Massachusetts Hazardous Waste Management Act 310 CMR 30.

b. Procedures for Special Permit

- (1) The Planning Board shall refer copies of the application to the Board of Health, Conservation Commission, Town Engineer, and Water Commissioners of the appropriate district which shall review the application, and following a vote of the Board/Department, shall submit their recommendations and comments to the Planning Board. Town Agencies which desire to make recommendations shall do so at the public hearing of the Special Permit Granting Authority.
- (2) After notice and public hearing, and after due consideration of the reports and recommendations of the Boards/Departments, the Planning Board may grant such a Special Permit provided that it finds that the proposed use:
  - will not, during construction or thereafter, have an adverse environmental impact on groundwater resources in the district;
  - will not adversely affect the existing or potential quality and quantity of water in the Water Supply Protection District;
 is appropriate to the natural topography, soils and other characteristics of the site to be developed;
  - has adequate public sewerage and water facilities.

J. Design and Operations Guidelines

The Board of Health shall be charged with the enforcement of this section; 8.09-J. Businesses and industries shall make provisions to protect against toxic or hazardous materials discharge or loss resulting from corrosion, accidental damage, spillage or vandalism including but not limited to the following:

- o Spill containment and clean-up provisions to prevent hazardous material spillage to the environment;
- o Provisions for the prevention of corrosion and leakage of containers storing hazardous materials;
- o Provisions for indoor, secured storage of hazardous materials and accumulated hazardous wastes, and for protection from vandalism;
- o Provisions for impervious floor surfaces where hazardous materials are used or stores with no drainage discharge to the environment.

K. Nonconforming Uses in the Water Supply District

Nonconforming uses which were lawfully existing, begun or in receipt of a building or special permit prior to the first publication of notice of public hearing for this bylaw may be continued. Such nonconforming uses may be extended or altered, provided that the applicant receives a Special Permit from the Planning Board which shall determine if the proposed change would increase the danger of groundwater pollution and thus be "substantially more detrimental to the neighborhood" as specified in Mass. General Laws, Chapter 40a, Sec. 6.

Applicants shall follow procedures specified in Section 8.09-J. of this bylaw.

or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 29.** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Map of the Town of Palmer dated June 15, 1981, as amended, by changing the designations thereon of the following described parcel of land from "Agricultural/Low Density Residential" to "Industrial":

Circa land westerly of B & M Railroad in Palmer

Beginning at a point in the westerly location line of the Boston & Maine Railroad at the intersection of said location line with the Town line between the Towns of Palmer and Ware

Said point being 935 feet + westerly of Rt. 32 measured along the Palmer-Ware Town line;

Thence southerly along the westerly location line of the B & M Railroad for a distance of 1160 feet + to a point;

Thence westerly along land of Libri Realty Trust for a distance of 2100 feet + to the Ware River;

Thence northerly on the Ware River to the Palmer-Ware Town line;

Thence easterly on the aforementioned Town line 2815 feet + to the sideline of the B & M Railroad and the point of beginning.

Containing 26 acres more or less.

or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 30.** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Map of the Town of Palmer dated June 15, 1981, as amended by changing the designation thereon of the following described parcel of land from "Village High Density Residential" to "General Business":

Beginning at the Southwesterly corner of land formerly of Ebenezer Brown, and thence running Northerly along line of land formerly of said Brown One Hundred and Sixty (160) Feet to land of Frank H. Hart;

thence Westerly along said last named land Ninety (90) Feet to land of M. Rachel Holbrook;

thence Southerly along said last named land One Hundred and Sixty (160) Feet to said North Main Street;

thence Easterly being Lot #1 on Plan of Lots of the heirs of Clara Holbrook recorded in the Registry of Deeds for said County of Hampden, Book of Plans 2, page 164, to which plan reference is hereby made for further description.

Said premises are commonly known as #501 North Main Street, Palmer, MA.

or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 31.** To see if the Town will vote to accept an Equal Educational Opportunity Grant for Fiscal Year 1988 in the amount of \$114,948 under the provisions of GL. ch. 70A, S.5, as inserted by Ch. 188 of the Acts of 1985. Said grant shall be expended by the School Committee for direct service expenditures, or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 32.** To see if the Town will vote to raise money and make appropriations to defray the expenses of the Town for the fiscal year 1988.

**ARTICLE 33.** To choose Committees and give them instructions.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies in some one public place in each of the four villages of the Town known as Depot Village, Thorndike, Three Rivers and Bondsville, seven days at least before the holding of said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at or before the holding of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 31st day of March, 1987.

Mark E. Benoit  
Mary A. Fogarty  
Theodore M. Kellogg



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## TELEPHONE NUMBERS EMERGENCIES

Fire:	
Bondsville	283-8389
Palmer	283-3456
Thorndike	283-3456
Three Rivers	283-8386
Hospital	283-7651
Ambulance	283-3115
Police	283-8792

## FOR INFORMATION

Assessors	283-5061
Building Inspector (Residence)	283-7840
Civil Defense	283-8792
Dog Officer (Residence)	283-7670
Gas Inspector (Residence)	283-4082
Health Board (Information)	283-5730
Highway Department	283-3721
License Commission (Alcoholic Beverage) (Information)	283-3711
Cemetery	283-4058
Council on Aging	283-3259
Palmer Housing Authority	283-9311
Palmer Public Library	283-3330
Palmer Redevelopment Authority	283-4777
Park Commission	283-3013
Planning Board	283-9425
Plumbing Inspector (Residence)	323-4229
Police Department	283-8792
Schools:	
Elementary:	
Bondsville	283-3961
Park Street	283-3221
Quaboag	283-3371
Thorndike Grammar-Thorndike	283-5561
Thorndike Street-Palmer	283-8061
Three Rivers Grammar	283-3230
Palmer High School	283-6511
Pathfinder Regional Vocational- Technical High School	283-9701
Superintendent of Schools	283-9813
Sealer of Weights & Measures (Residence)	783-6092
Selectmen	283-7261
Tax Collector	283-6272
Town Accountant	283-7261
Town Clerk	283-3711
Town Treasurer	283-7622
Veterans' Agent	283-8011
Wastewater Treatment Plant	283-5730
Wire Inspector (Residence)	283-3356